

#### Embassy of the United States of America Ottawa, Canada

## January 4, 2021

To: All Prospective Bidders

SUBJECT: Request for Price Quotation

RFQ #19CA1021Q0003 - U.S Consulate General, Calgary AB – Installation of CCTV Cameras

The US Consulate General of Calgary, AB invites you to submit a price quotation for an installation of 3 CCTV cameras,

If you would like to submit a proposal, follow the instructions in Section L of the solicitation, complete the required portions of the attached document, and submit it to the address shown on the Standard Form 33 that follows this letter. Written proposals must be submitted on or before 4:00 P.M. EST on February 12, 2021. No written proposals will be accepted after this time. Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope to the below address:

U.S Consulate General, Suite 1000, 615 Macleod Trail SE, Calgary, AB, T2G 4T8 Attention: Management Officer Proposal Enclosed - 19CA1021Q0003

Electronic offers may be submitted with "Proposal **19CA1021Q0003** Attached" listed in the subject line to the following email address <u>CalgaryGSO@state.gov</u> on or before 4:00 p.m. MST February 11, 2021, which is one day prior to the written proposal due date. No electronic proposals will be accepted after this time.

A site visit and pre-proposal conference will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2021, 10:00 a.m. at 2108 Amherst Street SW, Calgary, AB, T2T 3B7 and all prospective offerors will be invited to attend. For additional information or arrange for access to the site, please contact Glenn Pollard at 403-608-1254 or Robert Ursell at 403-651-3432 before 4:00 pm on January 12, 2021 and provide the names with ID-copy of all individuals planning to attend the site visit.

Please direct any questions regarding this solicitation to: <u>CalgaryGSO@state.gov.</u> All questions must be in English and submitted prior to January 12, 2021.

The U.S. Government intends to award a contract to the responsible company submitting an acceptable quotation at the lowest price. We intend to award a contact based on initial quotations, without holding discussions, although we may hold discussions with companies within the competitive range if there is a need to do so.

Sincerely,

Andrew Nelson Contracting Officer

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# SECTION B SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS

## B.1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor shall provide and install CCTV cameras at the U.S. Consul General Residence in Calgary, Alberta.

## B.2. TYPE OF CONTRACT

This is a firm, fixed- price contract payable entirely in the currency indicated in the SF-1442. No additional sums will be payable for any escalation in the cost of materials, equipment or labor, or because of the Contractor's failure to properly estimate or accurately predict the cost or difficulty of achieving the results required. The Government will not adjust the contract price due to fluctuations in currency exchange rates. The Government will only make changes in the contract price or time to complete due to changes made by the Government in the work to be performed, or by delays caused by the Government.

The Government will make payments based on quantities and unit prices only to the extent specifically provided in the contract.

## B.3. PRICING

The Contractor shall complete all work (including furnishing all labor, material, equipment and services) required under this contract for the following firm fixed price and within the time specified. This price shall include all labor, materials, overhead (including insurance and profit).

Total Price Excluding Value Added Tax:	CAD \$
Value Added Tax (GST, PST, HST, QST):	CAD \$
Grand Total Price:	CAD \$

## B.4. VALUE ADDED TAX

VALUE ADDED TAX (VAT). The Contractor shall include VAT as a separate charge on the Invoice and as a separate line item in Section B.

# SECTION C DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

## C1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The U.S. Consulate General in Calgary has a requirement to install three additional CCTV cameras to its existing Aviglon security camera system located at the U.S. Consul General's residence.
- 1.2 The U.S. Consulate General in Calgary is located on the 10<sup>th</sup> floor, 615 Macleod Trail SE, Calgary, Alberta, T2G 4T8. All inspections shall be requested through the Contracting Officer (CO) and Contracting Officer Representative [COR].
- 1.3 Work shall be completed as expeditiously as possible. The Consulate General's residence will be occupied during the execution of this contract. The contractor shall coordinate with the Contracting Officer [CO] and Contracting Officer Representative [COR] for work phasing and job sequencing for the commencing and completing of the work. Contractor shall submit a work plan with a work schedule for review and approval prior to commencement this contract.
- 1.4 Perform the work within the time stated in Deliverable Schedule.

## C2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 The Contractor shall attend the site survey meeting and provide a list of personnel and all necessary equipment, materials, tools and supervision required to complete the services that meet the Work requirements in this Scope of Work [SOW]. It is expected that the Contractor shall partner closely with the CO and COR.
- 2.2 Work shall be executed in a diligent manner in accordance with a negotiated firm fixed price and performance period. The Contractor shall start work within 10 calendar days from Notice to Proceed and 100% completion of the project, including cleanup, within 20 calendar days from Notice to Proceed [NTP].
- 2.3 The contractor shall have limited access to and shall not be admitted into any structure outside the areas designated for the proposed work except with permission by the COR and the Contracting Officer. The contractor shall address and report the impact of work disruptions and associated consequences. The contractor shall provide for a continuing level of operation, which will allow for continuous occupation and operations of the residence during the work.
- 2.4 The contractor shall be required to prepare and submit reports, bill of materials, product literature and data sheets, preliminary drawings, working drawings, specifications, quality control and installation schedules, safety plan and all work-related costs. These documents shall provide the necessary interfaces, coordination, and communication between the U.S. Consulate and Contractor for the delivery of a completed and successful Scope of Work. The contractor shall secure and pay for building permits, fees, licensed stamps and inspection necessary for a proper completion of all work associated within the reference drawings.

- 2.5 Materials shall be new and work shall conform to minimum applicable standards of the Canadian General Standards Board, the Canadian Standards Association, the National Building Code 2015 [NBC], and all applicable Provincial and Municipal codes. In case of conflict or discrepancy, the most stringent requirement shall apply. The contractor shall comply with all local, provincial, and federal safety and health standards, laws and regulations.
- 2.6 Provide a Gantt chart showing quality control and work schedule. Submit work schedule with tender price.

#### C3 GOVERNMENT MATERIAL

3.1 The U.S. Consulate will not supply any labor, material, or equipment for this project. The U.S. Consulate will not be responsible to clean up after the contractor from start of project to completion.

### C4 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 4.1 The Contractor shall not conduct any work that is beyond this Scope of Work unless directed in writing by the Contracting Officer [CO]. Any work done by the Contractor beyond this SOW without direction from the CO will be at the Contractor's own risk and at no cost to the U.S. Consulate.
- 4.2 The Contracting Officer shall provide a Notice to Proceed [NTP] to the Contractor. No work shall be initiated until the NTP is issued by the CO.
- 4.3 The Contracting Officer may designate more than one individual to serve as the Contracting Officer's Representative [COR]. The Contractor will be furnished evidence of COR appointments, including explicit authority delegated to each COR and their responsibilities.
- 4.4 The U.S. Consulate does not make any recommendations or warranties of any kind either expressed or implied, as to the quality, level of completion, accuracy, extent of compliance with the standards, codes and requirements described or referred to in this SOW.
  - It is the responsibility of the contractor to adhere to and obtain any required documentation and or approvals, e.g. pre-work utility locates.
- 4.5 The U.S. Consulate's review, approval or acceptance of, or payment for the services required under this contract, shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this contract or any cause of action against the Contractor arising out of the performance of this contract.
- 4.6 The U.S. Consulate has the right to perform inspection of the work at any time during the term of the contract. The U.S. Consulate and/or the Office of Overseas Buildings may perform quality assurance inspections [QAI] during the Work period to confirm the work is installed according to the SOW.

- 4.7 The Contracting Officer has the authority to issue a temporary stop order during the execution of any particular phase of this SOW. This authority may be executed when the U.S. Consulate requires time for official functions, or is in possession of specific credible information indicating that the lives of U.S. Consulate personnel are immediately threatened and that the execution of the project will increase the U.S. Consulate's vulnerability. The CO or COR shall promptly notify the Contractor that work has been stopped. Notify the Contractor when work can begin again.
- 4.8 If any of the Contractor's services do not conform to the contract requirements, the COR may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with the contract requirements. The U.S. Consulate may by contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge the Contractor any cost incurred by the U.S. Consulate that is directly related to the performance of such service or terminate the contract for default.
- 4.9 The U.S. Consulate has the right to terminate this contract of convenience at any time in whole, or in part, if the Contracting Officer determines it is in the interest of the U.S. Consulate.

#### C5 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR

- 5.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and the coordination of all the work and other services furnished under this contract. The Contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors or deficiencies associated to this SOW and other services.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall identify a Project Site Manager who shall be responsible for the overall management of the project and shall represent the Contractor on the site during the Work. Submit Project Site Manager name and qualifications with tender price and submittals. The Project Site Manager shall be approved by the COR.
- 5.3 The Project Site Manager shall attend all project meetings, prepare weekly Status Reports on the project and submit them to the COR. Status Reports shall contain meeting minutes, accomplishments, milestones and deadlines, arising concerns and proposed solutions, any proposed change orders, and any other pertinent information required to report the progress of performance. The project site manager shall ensure that the site and work area are free of garbage, debris and litter daily before leaving at the end of each work day. The project manager shall be responsible to ensure employees and or other contractors conduct themselves in a respectful manner when on site at all times, and using only approved facilities and designated smoking and break areas.
- 5.4 All documentation produced for this project will become the ownership of the U.S. Consulate at the completion of this project.
- 5.5 The Contractor shall verify that all materials, equipment, and systems provide operational dependability. The Contractor assures the completed Work shall be easily maintained or replaced with readily available materials and services.
- 5.6 Any cost associated with services subcontracted by the Contractor shall be borne by and be the complete responsibility of the Contractor under the fixed price of this contract.

- 5.7 The Contractor is responsible for safety and shall comply with all local labor laws, regulations, customs and practices pertaining to labor, safety and similar matters. The Contractor shall promptly report all accidents resulting in lost time, disabling, or fatal injuries to the COR.
- 5.8 The Contractor shall be and remain liable to the U.S. Consulate in accordance with applicable law for all damages to the U.S. Consulate caused by the Contractor's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this contract. The rights and remedies for the U.S. Consulate provided for under this contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

## C6 PRE-WORK REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1 The Contractor shall examine all the documents and visit the site to fully inform and familiarize themselves of all the site and building conditions and limitations applied to the work prior to submitting a firm fixed price cost proposal for all the work. By submitting a firm fixed price cost proposal for all work, the Contractor and his subcontractors are confirming that they have visited the site and have included in their cost proposal any additional items of the Work that may be required due to existing site conditions. No subsequent cost allowance will be made to the Contractor for neglect of the existing conditions.
- 6.2 Prior to proceeding with any work that may result in additional cost or additional time to the project, the Contractor shall determine the additional cost or time or, if the exact costs for time cannot be determined, the Contractor shall make his most reasonable estimate (an estimate of the worst case) and submit the additions to the Contracting Officer for approval. Should the Contractor fail to advise the Contracting Officer prior to proceeding with the work, additional cost or time shall not be approved.
- 6.3 Provide a statement that the Contractor's company and all personnel are experienced in performing this type or similar to type and scope required for the work.
- 6.4 The Contractor shall prepare and submit a Quality Control Schedule [QCS] and Project Safety Plan [PSP] to address the project. The QCS and PSP are intended to document the entire project from beginning to end.
- 6.5 Submit a copy of a Contractor's Installation Guarantee covering the work, labor and equipment for a period of THREE [3] years at no cost to the U.S. Consulate signed by the Contractor.
- 6.6 Pre-work submittals: Submit a Bill of Materials [BOM], product literature and data sheets, shop drawings, samples and standard specification submittals of all materials, products, and equipment to be used in the project provided by the contractor. The BOM's shall list the equipment and materials in sufficient detail that a purchase order for the materials and equipment can be executed without further elaboration or specifications. These documents will be used by the U.S. Consulate to approve all equipment and materials.

## C7 WORK REQUIREMENTS

- 7.1 No work shall begin until approvals of the Pre-work submittals are accepted by the COR. As this is a residential area workday hours of operation must be submitted and approved by COR. Contractor shall notify and have prior approval from the COR the work beyond the approved hours of operation as security escorts will need to be arranged.
- 7.1.1 The Contractor shall schedule all work during the weekdays, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8am and 5pm.
  - 7.1.1.1 Local Bylaw restrictions shall be followed.
  - 7.1.1.2 If after regular working hours are required, the contractor shall submit a request 3 calendar days ahead of time for approval.
  - 7.1.1.3 Schedule work to avoid interruptions to normal operations of the residence. Disruptive work shall be scheduled and coordinated with the Contracting Officer and/or the Contracting Officer's Representative.
- 7.2 The contractor and Consulate, Contracting Officer and/or Contracting Officer Representative shall meet prior to beginning work to document conditions of the existing facility, parking, and site.
- 7.3 All work shall be carried out in accordance with accepted first-class construction practices.
- 7.4 Unless specifically noted otherwise herein install all material/products for the work described in this scope in strict accordance with the manufacturers latest published specifications/recommendations.
- 7.5 The Contractor shall be responsible and shall supply for all required materials, equipment and personnel to manage, administer, and supervise the project. All workmanship shall be of good quality and performed in a skillful manner as determined by the COR.
- 7.6 All materials and equipment incorporated into the project shall be new unless noted otherwise. The Contractor shall transport and safeguard all materials and equipment required for this SOW.
- 7.7 Equipment and materials shall be carefully handled, properly stored, and adequately protected to prevent damage before and during installation, in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Damaged or defective items shall be replaced, at no cost to the U.S. Consulate. The contractor will be responsible for security of all materials and equipment.
- 7.8 Receipt Of Materials Shipment of equipment, materials, and supplies shall be addressed to the Contractor not the U.S. Consulate. The Contractor must be on hand to accept shipments; the U.S. Consulate will not accept shipments.
- 7.9 The Contractor will be provided if room is available, with a storage and staging area as determined by the COR. The Contractor shall be responsible for restoring the area to its original condition at the completion of the work. The Contractor shall be responsible for repair of any damage incurred

to buildings, landscaping or hardscape surfaces as a result of storage activities. The Contractor is responsible for obtaining any additional off compound storage areas as required since space and parking is very limited on site.

The contractor to salvage and store unused materials ordered for the work described in this scope. Excess materials are property of the Consulate. If removal of excess material is determined necessary by the Consulate, coordinate removal of specific access material with the Consulate and Contracting Officer Representative.

- 7.10 Provide secure and safe occupant space during non-working hours.
- 7.11 Remove all construction debris as required to maintain a clean environment and to prevent the possibility of accident or fire. Coordinate removal work with the Consulate and Contracting Officer Representative.
- 7.12 Provide a final professional cleaning of the entire work area and areas affected by this SOW after completion of work and punch list items are complete and prior to the owner occupancy of new deck space. Clean all glass as part of the final cleanup.
- 7.13 The Contractor shall at all times keep the work area free from accumulation of waste materials. Upon completing the requirements of this SOW, the Contractor shall remove all temporary facilities and leave the project site in a clean and orderly condition acceptable to the COR. COR will conduct a final walkthrough of the site with Contractor prior to signing off on job completion.
- 7.14 The Contractor shall perform the work at the site during the U.S. Consulate's normal workday hours, unless agreed upon with the COR. Refer to 7.1 for further details.
- 7.15 The Contractor shall be responsible for connection of temporary utilities to existing utilities including water and power lines. All temporary connections to local water and power lines shall be coordinated with the COR. The Contractor shall pay all costs incurred in connecting, converting, and transferring the utilities to the work. The Contractor shall be responsible for making connections, providing back flow preventer devices on connections to domestic water lines, providing transformers, and for disconnections. Contractor is responsible to obtaining all necessary locates and or permits.
- 7.16 All building systems (i.e. water, sanitary, electric, etc.) shall remain in operation throughout the work period. All necessary interruptions for connection of new work shall be performed after normal business hours, approved and coordinated with the Consulate plus the Contracting Officer Representative 72 hours in advance.
- 7.17 At the end of each work day, or notification of a temporary stop order, the Contractor shall lower and fix all temporary work platforms and/or harnesses. Contractor shall notify the COR of the temporary barricade locations. Beginning the next workday, the contractor shall remove the temporary barricades before continuing the project.

- 7.18 Storm Protection Should warnings of wind of gale force or stronger be issued, the Contractor shall take every precaution to minimize danger to people, the work and adjacent properties. Precautions shall include, but are not limited to, closing all openings, removing all loose materials, tools and equipment from exposed locations, and other temporary work. The contractor shall be responsible to reinstate and disturbance or damage to adjacent properties at their own cost.
- 7.19 Cleanup The Contractor shall keep the work area, including storage areas, free from accumulations of waste materials on a daily basis and comply with all national, provincial and local regulations pertaining to the storage, transport and disposal of wastes. The Contractor shall not use U.S. Consulate waste disposal facilities including garbage cans, trash piles or dumpsters.
- 7.20 Landscape Restoration All hardscape pavement surfaces disturbed and or damaged during the Work period shall be reinstated to pre-Work condition. All unpaved areas disturbed and or damaged during the Work including irrigation shall be reinstated to pre-Work condition using quality irrigation parts, topsoil and sod as approved by the COR. Any landscape plants (trees, shrubs, annuals or perennials) killed or damaged by the Work activities shall be replaced with same species and size when applicable and must be approved by the COR.
- 7.21 The contractor shall provide experienced, well-trained workers competent to complete the work as specified.
- 7.22 All work shall comply with governing building, health, and safety codes.
- 7.23 Deviations from the scope of work shall be reported to the Contracting Officer (CO) and Contracting Officer Representative (COR) immediately and prior to proceeding with that portion of work. Work not in compliance with requirements of the scope of work without approval from the Contracting Officer will be removed at the Contracting Officer's discretion and the contractor's expense.
- 7.24 Contractor shall take all necessary precautions to minimize damage to surrounding area...
- 7.25 Contractor shall make all repairs necessary to restore property damaged as a result of the contractor's work.

## **C8 SPECIFICATION**

8.1 New work required shall include all necessary work for the installation of the additional CCTV Cameras:

Install 1 CCTV camera at front gate entrance with IP intercom, providing the following equipment:

- Aviglon 4.0 MP Camera pendant dome 3.3-9mm or equivalent (4.0MP WDR, Light Catcher, Day/Night, Pendant Dome, 3.3-9mm f/1.3 P-iris lens, Next-Generation Analytics)
- BEL1217 hazard rated Cat 6 Tech Cable
- Camera licence

- Pole, pole mount adapter; wall bracket
- Aviglon H4 video intercom or equivalent (3.0 MP, H4 video intercom, WDR, Light Catcher, Day/Night, 1.83mm f/2.4, integrated IR
- Surface mount adapter for intercom; safety relay for video intercom
- Pedestal PM-429CBLK 42" black pad mount gooseneck pedestal with conduit

Install 1 CCTV camera on the North East roof overhang of the home, to cover the North side bedroom, providing the following equipment:

- Aviglon 4.0 MP Camera bullet 3.3-9mm or equivalent
- (4.0MP WDR, Light Catcher, Day/Night, Pendant Dome, 3.3-9mm f/1.3 P-iris lens, Integrated IR, Next-Generation Analytics)
- Camera junction box
- Metal pipe conduit
- Camera licence

Install 1 CCTV camera on backyard metal pole, providing the following equipment:

- Aviglon 15MP Camera multi-sensor 270 degrees pendant pole mount or equivalent (3 x 5.0MP WDR, Light Catcher, 2.8mm lens, Day/Night, H4AMH-DO-COVR1 Dome bubble and cover, IRPTZ-MNT-NPTA1 pendant NPT adapter.
- Smoke bubble H4AMH-DO-COVR1-SMOKE and IR illuminator ring H4AMH-AD-IRIL1
- Aviglon H5 pole mount adapter
- Conduit pipe and boxes
- Camera licence

#### C9 WARRANTY

- 9.1 Provide warranty, in writing, on materials and workmanship, from the date of project completion.
- 9.2 Provide manufacturer's warranty on all materials used to complete this project.

#### C10 CRITERIA

10.1 The Contractor's work shall be in accordance with U.S. and local codes and standards.

## C11 DELIVERABLE SCHEDULE

- 11.1 The Contractor shall commence work under this contract promptly, execute the work diligently, and achieve final completion and acceptance including final cleanup of the premises within the period specified.
- 11.2 Milestones:

a. Contractor Pre-Proposal Site Visit January 14, 2021 10:00 am b. Pre-Construction Submittals 10 days after site visit c. Cost & Technical (Submittals) Proposal February 12, 2021 d. US Consulate RFQ and submittal Review 20 days e. Award of Contract & Notice to Proceed March 8, 2021 f. Kick-off Meeting within 10 calendar days of NTP g. Site mobilization and beginning of work within 10 calendar days of NTP h. Submit Bill of Materials within 15 calendar days of NTP i. Construction and completion of work within 45 calendar days of NTP i. Submit Material and Service Warranty Before final payment k. Final Acceptance by Consulate Completion of punch list

11.3 Project Completion: Prior to final payment, the Contractor shall assemble original copies of all new equipment and material warranties and operations information and delivery to the Consulate and Contracting Officer and/or Contracting Officer Representative (as appropriate) in a neatly indexed and labeled 3-ring binder. Furnish an electronic copy and three copies of maintenance and operating information, Contractor's three (3) year workmanship guarantee, and product information (data sheets, shop drawings, and literature) of all items installed. Contractor is responsible to provide the US Consulate with an electronic version of shop drawings completed to scale as a PDF and or 2 CAD files (2020 compatible versions and current version) at the completion of the project.

## C12 PROJECT SECURITY

- 12.1 The work to be performed under this contract requires that the Contractor, its employees and sub-contractors submit corporate, financial and personnel information for review by the US Consulate. Information submitted by the Contractor will not be disclosed beyond the US Consulate.
- 12.2 The contractor is required to submit completed "AUTHORITY FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION Government of Canada" forms for all workers and sub-contractors assigned to the project prior to commencing work, in order to have a security clearance performed. Blank form is attached. Contractors will also be required to submit vehicle information on all assigned vehicles prior to commencing work.
- 12.3 The Contractor shall submit this information including Work vehicle requirements within 10 calendar days of the Notice to Proceed.
- 12.4 Any contractor working at the Consul General's residence must be escorted at all times by a cleared U.S. Consulate or Residence employee.

#### END OF SCOPE OF WORK

# SECTION D PACKING AND MARKING

D.1 The Contractor shall mark materials delivered to the site as follows:

Project number: PR9579374

Project Name: U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL'S RESIDENCE ADDITIONAL 3 CCTV

CAMERAS INSTALLATION

# SECTION E INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

# E.1 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

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The following Federal Acquisition Regulation clause(s) is/are incorporated by reference (48 CFR CH. 1):

<u>CLAUSE</u>	TITLE AND DATE
52.246-4	INSPECTION OF SERVICES FIXED-PRICE (AUG 1996)
52.246-2	INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES – FIXED PRICE (AUG 1996)
52.204-18	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE (JUL 2016)

- (a) Definition. As used in this clause–
- "Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code" means-
- (1) An identifier assigned to entities located in the United States or its outlying areas by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Branch to identify a commercial or government entity; or
- (2) An identifier assigned by a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) or by the NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA) to entities located outside the United States and its outlying areas that the DLA Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Branch records and maintains in the CAGE master file. This type of code is known as a NATO CAGE (NCAGE) code. (b) Contractors shall ensure that the CAGE code is maintained throughout the life of the contract. For contractors registered in the System for Award Management (SAM), the DLA Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Branch shall only modify data received from SAM in the CAGE master file if the contractor initiates those changes via update of its SAM registration. Contractors undergoing a novation or change-of-name agreement shall notify the contracting officer in accordance with subpart 42.12. The contractor shall communicate any change to the CAGE code to the contracting officer within 30 days after the change, so that a modification can be issued to update the CAGE code on the contract.

- (c) Contractors located in the United States or its outlying areas that are not registered in SAM shall submit written change requests to the DLA Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Branch. Requests for changes shall be provided at <a href="https://cage.dla.mil">https://cage.dla.mil</a>. Change requests to the CAGE master file are accepted from the entity identified by the code.
- (d) Contractors located outside the United States and its outlying areas that are not registered in SAM shall contact the appropriate National Codification Bureau (points of contact available at <a href="http://www.nato.int/structur/AC/135/main/links/contacts.htm">http://www.nato.int/structur/AC/135/main/links/contacts.htm</a>) or NSPA at <a href="https://eportal.nspa.nato.int/AC135Public/scage/CageList.aspx">https://eportal.nspa.nato.int/AC135Public/scage/CageList.aspx</a> to request CAGE changes.
- (e) Additional guidance for maintaining CAGE codes is available at <a href="https://cage.dla.mil">https://cage.dla.mil</a>. (End of clause)

# 52.204-19 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (DEC 2014)

The Contractor's representations and certifications, including those completed electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM), are incorporated by reference into the contract. (End of clause)

- 52.232-27 PROMPT PAYMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (JUL 2013)
- 52.246-12 INSPECTION OF CONSTRUCTION (AUG 1996)

## E.2. INSPECTION BY GOVERNMENT:

The COR, or his/her authorized representatives, will inspect from time to time the services being performed under this contract and the supplies furnished to determine whether work is being performed in a satisfactory manner, and that all supplies are of acceptable quality and standards.

The Contractor shall be responsible for any countermeasures or corrective action, within the scope of this contract, which may be required by the Contracting Officer as a result of such inspection.

## E.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLAN (QASP).

This plan is designed to provide an effective surveillance method to promote effective Contractor performance. The QASP provides a method for the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to monitor Contractor performance, advise the Contractor of unsatisfactory performance, and notify the Contracting Officer of continued unsatisfactory performance. The Contractor, not the Government, is responsible for management and quality control to meet the terms of the contract. The role of the Government is to conduct quality assurance to ensure that contract standards are achieved.

Performance Objective	PWS	Performance Threshold
	Paragraph	
<u>Services</u>		

Performs all services set forth in the	C.1 thru	All required services are
Performance Work Statement (PWS)	C.12	performed and no more than one
		(1) customer complaint is
		received per month

#### E.4.1 Surveillance

The COR will receive and document all complaints from Government personnel regarding the services provided. If appropriate, the COR will send the complaints to the Contractor for corrective action.

#### E.4.2 Standard

The performance standard is that the Government receives no more than one (1) customer complaint per month. The COR shall notify the Contracting Officer of the complaints so that the Contracting Officer may take appropriate action to enforce the inspection clause (FAR 52.246-4, Inspection of Services – Fixed Price (AUG 1996)), if any of the services exceed the standard.

#### E.4.3 Procedures

- (a) If any Government personnel observe unacceptable services, either incomplete work or required services not being performed they should immediately contact the COR.
  - (b) The COR will complete appropriate documentation to record the complaint.
- (c) If the COR determines the complaint is invalid, the COR will advise the complainant. The COR will retain the annotated copy of the written complaint for his/her files.
- (d) If the COR determines the complaint is valid, the COR will inform the Contractor and give the Contractor additional time to correct the defect, if additional time is available. The COR shall determine how much time is reasonable.
  - (e) The COR shall, as a minimum, orally notify the Contractor of any valid complaints.
- (f) If the Contractor disagrees with the complaint after investigation of the site and challenges the validity of the complaint, the Contractor will notify the COR. The COR will review the matter to determine the validity of the complaint.
- (g) The COR will consider complaints as resolved unless notified otherwise by the complainant.
- (h) Repeat customer complaints are not permitted for any services. If a repeat customer complaint is received for the same deficiency during the service period, the COR will contact the Contracting Officer for appropriate action under the Inspection clause.

#### E.5 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

## E.5.1 <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

(a) "Substantial Completion" means the stage in the progress of the work as determined and certified by the Contracting Officer in writing to the Contractor, on which the work (or a portion designated by the Government) is sufficiently complete and satisfactory.

Substantial completion means that the property may be occupied or used for the purpose for which it is intended, and only minor items such as touch-up, adjustments, and minor replacements or installations remain to be completed or corrected which:

1. do not interfere with the intended occupancy or utilization of the work,

and

- 2. Can be completed or corrected within the time period required for final completion.
- (b) The "date of substantial completion" means the date determined by the Contracting Officer or authorized Government representative as of which substantial completion of the work has been achieved.

## E.5.2 USE AND POSSESSION UPON SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

The Government shall have the right to take possession of and use the work upon substantial completion. Upon notice by the Contractor that the work is substantially complete (a Request for Substantial Completion) and an inspection by the Contracting Officer or an authorized Government representative (including any required tests), the Contracting Officer shall furnish the Contractor a Certificate of Substantial Completion. The certificate shall be accompanied by a Schedule of Defects listing items of work remaining to be performed, completed or corrected before final completion and acceptance. Failure of the Contracting Officer to list any item of work shall not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for complying with the terms of the contract. The Government's possession or use upon substantial completion shall not be deemed an acceptance of any work under the contract.

## E.6 FINAL COMPLETION AND ACCEPTANCE

## E.6.1 DEFINITIONS

- (a) "Final completion and acceptance" means the stage in the progress of the work as determined by the Contracting Officer and confirmed in writing to the Contractor, at which all work required under the contract has been completed in a satisfactory manner, subject to the discovery of defects after final completion, and except for items specifically excluded in the notice of final acceptance.
- (b) The "date of final completion and acceptance" means the date determined by the Contracting Officer when final completion of the work has been achieved, as indicated by written notice to the Contractor.

#### E.6.2 FINAL INSPECTION AND TESTS

The Contractor shall give the Contracting Officer at least five (5) days advance written notice of the date when the work will be fully completed and ready for final inspection and tests. Final inspection and tests will be started not later than the date specified in the notice unless the Contracting Officer determines that the work is not ready for final inspection and so informs the Contractor.

## E.6.3 FINAL ACCEPTANCE

If the Contracting Officer is satisfied that the work under the contract is complete (with the exception of continuing obligations), the Contracting Officer shall issue to the Contractor a notice of final acceptance and make final payment upon:

- (a) satisfactory completion of all required tests,
- (b) a final inspection that all items by the Contracting Officer listed in the Schedule of Defects have been completed or corrected and that the work is finally complete (subject to the discovery of defects after final completion), and
- (c) submittal by the Contractor of all documents and other items required upon completion of the work, including a final request for payment (Request for Final Acceptance).

# SECTION F DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

F.1. DELIVERY SCHEDULE					
The following items shall be delivered under this contract:					
Description	Quantity	Delivery Date	Deliver To		
Operation Instruction Booklet in	1	Upon Installation	Resident + COR		
English.					
Schematics/Diagrams.	1	10 days after installation	COR		

F.2.

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## FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CH. 1)

52.204-18 COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE (JUL 2016)

## [Note to Contracting Officer: Include if over \$25,000]

- 52.204-19 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (DEC 2014)
- 52.242-15 STOP-WORK ORDER (AUG 1989)
- 52.242-17 GOVERNMENT DELAY OF WORK (APR 1984)

## <u>CLAUSE</u> <u>TITLE AND DATE</u>

52.242-14 SUSPENSION OF WORK (APR 1984)

## 52.211-10 COMMENCEMENT, PROSECUTION AND COMPLETION OF WORK (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall be required to:

- (a) commence work under this contract within 10 calendar days after the date the Contractor receives the notice to proceed,
  - (b) prosecute the work diligently, and
- (c) complete the entire work ready for use not later than 60 calendar days. The time stated for completion shall include final cleanup of the premises and completion of "punch list" items.

## F.3 <u>LIQUIDATED DAMAGES</u>

## F.3.1 <u>52.211-12</u> <u>LIQUIDATED DAMAGES - CONSTRUCTION (SEP 2000)</u>

- (a) If the Contractor fails to complete the work within the time specified in the contract, or any extension, the Contractor shall pay liquidated damages to the Government in the amount of CAD\$1,000.00 for each day of delay until the work is completed or accepted.
- (b) If the Government terminates the Contractor's right to proceed, liquidated damages will continue to accrue until the work is completed. These liquidated damages are in addition to excess costs of repurchase under the Default clause.

## F.3.2. ASSESSMENT AND APPORTIONMENT OF LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Liquidated damages will be assessed from the completion date indicated in the contract or extensions thereof to the date of substantial completion as actually achieved by the Contractor, as determined by the Contracting Officer.

## F.4 CONTRACTOR'S SUBMISSION OF CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULES

- (a) The time for submission of the schedules referenced in Section I, 52.236-15, "Schedules for Construction Contracts", paragraph (a), is hereby modified to reflect the due date for submission as "ten (10) days after receipt of an executed contract".
- (b) These schedules shall include the time by which shop drawings, product data, samples and other submittals required by the contract will be submitted for approval.
- (c) The Contractor shall revise such schedules (1) to account for the actual progress of the work, (2) to reflect approved adjustments in the performance schedule, and (3) as required by the Contracting Officer to achieve coordination with work by the Government and any separate contractors used by the Government. The Contractor shall submit a schedule which sequences work so as to minimize disruption at the job site.
- (d) All schedules shall be in the English language and any system of dimensions (English or metric) shown shall be consistent with that used in the contract. No extension of time shall be allowed due to a delay by the Government in approving such deliverables if the Contractor has failed to act

promptly and responsively in submitting its deliverables. The Contractor shall identify each deliverable as required by the contract.

#### F.5 <u>ACCEPTANCE OF SCHEDULE</u>

When the Government has accepted any time schedule, it shall be binding upon the Contractor. The completion date is fixed and may be extended only by a written contract modification signed by the Contracting Officer. Acceptance or approval of any schedule or revision thereof by the Government shall not (1) extend the completion date or obligate the Government to do so, (2) constitute acceptance or approval of any delay, or (3) excuse the Contractor from or relieve the Contractor of its obligation to maintain the progress of the work and achieve final completion by the established completion date.

## F.6 NOTICE OF DELAY

If the Contractor receives a notice of any change in the work, or if any other conditions arise which are likely to cause or are actually causing delays which the Contractor believes may result in late completion of the project, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer. The Contractor's notice shall state the effect, if any, of such change or other conditions upon the approved schedule, and shall state in what respects, if any, the relevant schedule or the completion date should be revised. The Contractor shall give this notice not more than ten (10) days after the first event-giving rise to the delay or prospective delay. Only the Contracting Officer may make revisions to the approved time schedule.

## F.7 NOTICE TO PROCEED

- (a) After receiving and accepting any bonds or evidence of insurance, the Contracting Officer will issue the Contractor a Notice to Proceed. The Contractor shall then prosecute the work commencing and completing performance not later than the time period established in the contract.
- (b) It is possible that the Contracting Officer may elect to issue the Notice to Proceed before receipt and acceptance of any bonds. Issuance of a Notice to Proceed by the Government before receipt of the required bonds or policies shall not be a waiver of the requirement to furnish these documents

## F.8 WORKING HOURS

All work shall be performed during 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for the holidays identified below. Other hours, if requested by the Contractor, may be approved by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall give 48 hours in advance to COR who will consider any deviation from the hours identified above. Changes in work hours will not be a cause for a price increase.

The following is a list of United States and Canadian holidays to be observed by the Embassy and its constituent posts in Canada (except where noted) in 2021:

DAY/DATEHOLIDAYORIGINFriday, January 1New Year's DayUS/CAN

Monday, January 4	Day After New Year's Day (Quebec Only) (Observed)	CAN
Monday, January 18	Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday	US
Monday, February 15	*Washington's Birthday (Family Day in AB, BC, ON, & SK) (Heritage Day in NS)	US/CAN
Friday, April 2	Good Friday	CAN
Monday, April 5	Easter Monday	CAN
Monday, May 24	Victoria Day	CAN
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day	US
Thursday, June 24	Quebec National Day	CAN
•	(Montreal/Quebec City only)	
Thursday, July 1	Canada Day (Observed)	CAN
Monday, July 5	Independence Day (Observed)	US
Monday, August 2	Civic Holiday in ON, BC, MB	CAN
	(National Day in NS, Heritage Day in AB)	
Monday, September 6	Labor Day	US/CAN
Monday, October 11	Columbus Day/Canadian Thanksgiving Day	US/CAN
Thursday, November 11	Veterans' Day/Remembrance Day	US/CAN
Thursday, November 25	Thanksgiving Day	US
Friday, December 24	Christmas Day (Observed)	US/CAN
Monday, December 27	Boxing Day (Observed)	CAN

<sup>\*</sup>Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order or Presidential Proclamation.

When any such day falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday is observed; when any such day falls on a Sunday, the following Monday is observed. Observance of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract. If the Contractor's personnel work on a holiday, no form of holiday or other premium compensation will be reimbursed either as a direct or indirect cost, unless authorized pursuant to an overtime clause elsewhere in this contract.

## F.9 <u>EXCUSABLE DELAYS</u>

<sup>\*\*</sup>This is also known as Presidents' Day in the U.S.A.

The Contractor will be allowed time, not money, for excusable delays as defined in FAR 52.249-10, Default. Examples of such cases include:

- (l) acts of God or of the public enemy,
- (2) acts of the United States Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity,
- (3) acts of the government of the host country in its sovereign capacity,
- (4) acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the Government,
- (5) fires,
- (6) floods,
- (7) epidemics,
- (8) quarantine restrictions,
- (9) strikes,
- (10) freight embargoes,
- (11) delays in delivery of Government furnished equipment, and
- (12) unusually severe weather.

In each instance, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, and the failure to perform. Furthermore, the failure:

- (1) must be one that the Contractor could not have reasonably anticipated and taken adequate measures to protect against,
- (2) cannot be overcome by reasonable efforts to reschedule the work, and
- (3) directly and materially affects the date of final completion of the project.

## F.10 PRE-CONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE

A preconstruction conference will be held 10 days after contract award at the U.S. Consulate General, 2108 Amherst Street SW, Mount Royal to discuss the schedule, submittals, notice to proceed, mobilization and other important issues that affect construction progress. See FAR 52.236-26, Pre-Construction Conference in Section I

# F.11 <u>DELIVERABLES</u>

The following items shall be delivered under this contract:

Description	Quantity	<b>Delivery Date</b>	<b>Deliver To:</b>
H.1.2. Bonds/Insurance	1	10 days after award	CO
H.11.1. Safety Plan	1	10 days after award	COR
E.2. Quality Assurance Plan	1	10 days after award	COR
F.4. Construction Schedule	1	10 days after award	COR
H.14.1. Submittal Register	1	N/A	
F.10. Pre-Construction	1	Within 10 days	COR
Conference		after award	
H.13.2. Security Clearance	1	10 days after award	COR
E.2.2. Inspection Reports	1	3 days after end of	COR
		weekly period	
G.3.2 Payment Request	1	Upon completion of	COR
		project.	
E.2.1. Monthly Progress Report	1	N/A	COR
F.4.(c). Updates to Construction	1	Last day of each	COR
Schedule		week	
E.3.2. Request for Substantial	1	5 days before	COR
Completion		inspection	
H.4.4. As-built Drawings and	1	After final	COR
Warranties		completion but	
		before final	
		acceptance	
E.4.2. Request for Final	1	5 days before	COR
Acceptance		inspection	
F.6 Notice of Delay	1	Within 10 days	CO
		after event	
F.8 Additional Hours	1	No later than 24	CO
		hours in advance of	
		need	
H.2.4 Evidence of Insurance	1	10 days after award	CO
H.17.2 Differing Site Condition	1	Within 10 days of	CO
		occurrence	

## SECTION G CONTRACT ADMNISTRATION DATA

#### G.1 <u>AUTHORITY OF CONTRACTING OFFICER</u>

All work shall be performed under the general direction of the Contracting Officer, who alone shall have the power to bind the Government and to exercise the rights, responsibilities, authorities and functions vested by the contract.

# G.2. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE (COR) DOSAR 652.242-70 (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may designate in writing one or more Government employees, by name or position title, to take action for the Contracting Officer under this contract. Each designee shall be identified as a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). Such designation(s) shall specify the scope and limitations of the authority so delegated; provided, that the designee shall not change the terms or conditions of the contract, unless the COR is a warranted Contracting Officer and this authority is delegated in the designation.
- (b) The COR for this contract is Patricio Garza, Facilities Maintenance Assistant.

#### G.2.2 Duties

The COR is responsible for inspection and acceptance of services. These duties include review of Contractor invoices, including the supporting documentation required by the contract. The COR may provide technical advice, substantive guidance, inspections, invoice approval, and other purposes as deemed necessary under the contract.

## G.3 PAYMENT

#### G.3.1 GENERAL

Payments are subject to FAR 52.232-5, "Payments Under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts".

#### G.3.2 DETAIL OF PAYMENT REQUESTS

Each application for payment shall cover the value of labor and materials completed and in place, including a prorated portion of overhead and profit. The Government will make payments no more frequently than monthly, unless otherwise provided in this contract. The contractor shall submit invoices in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) as an attachment to email addressed to OttawaInvoices@state.gov referencing the contract number in the subject of an email. To constitute a proper invoice, the invoice shall include all the items required by FAR 32.905(e).

- Vendor legal name and remittance address

- Invoice date, invoice number, customer number (if applicable)
  - □ Description of goods/services, quantity, price and term of performance corresponding to the contract line items (CLINS)
- Applicable taxes outlined separately
- - "Bill to:" address referencing U.S. Consulate General in the first line

All incorrect Invoices shall be returned to Vendors.

A payment may be made by the Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) within 30 calendar days upon acceptance of the ordered goods/services, as well as delivery of a correct invoice.

After 30 calendar days vendors can submit payment status inquiries to:

## Calgaryinvoices@state.gov

All new Vendors shall be directed by the Procurement Staff to submit an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Registration form to: **MissionCanadaEFT@state.gov** 

## G.3.3 PAYMENTS TO SUBCONTRACTORS

The Contractor shall make timely payment from the proceeds of the progress or final payment for which request is being made to subcontractors and suppliers following the Contractor's contractual arrangements with them.

#### G.3.4 EVALUATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER

Following receipt of the Contractor's request for payment, and on the basis of an inspection of the work, the Contracting Officer shall make a determination as to the amount that is then due. If the Contracting Officer does not approve payment of the full amount applied for, less the retainage addressed in FAR 52.232-5, the Contracting Officer shall advise the Contractor of the reasons.

#### G.3.5 ADDITIONAL WITHHOLDING

The Government may withhold from payments due the Contractor any amounts as may be considered necessary to cover:

- (a) Wages or other amounts due the Contractor's employees on this project;
- (b) Wages or other amounts due employees of subcontractors on this project;
- (c) Amounts due suppliers of materials or equipment for this project; and

(d) Any other amounts for which the Contractor may be held liable under this contract, including but not limited to the actual or prospective costs of correction of defective work and prospective liquidated damage when the Contractor has failed to make adequate progress.

This withholding is independent of monies retained by the Government under FAR 52.232-5, or otherwise as permitted to be retained under this contract.

## G.3.6. PAYMENT

Under the authority of 52.232-27(a) the 14 day period identified in FAR 52.232-27 (a) (1) (i) (A) is hereby changed to 30 days.

G.4 The Contractor shall identify Value Added Tax (VAT) as a separate line item. The Contractor shall also show VAT as a separate charge on invoices submitted.

## SECTION H SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

#### H.1. SECURITY

H.1.1 <u>General.</u> The Government reserves the right to deny access to U.S.-owned and U.S.-operated facilities to any individual. The Government will run background checks on all proposed Contractor employees. The Contractor shall provide the names, biographic data and police clearance on all Contractor personnel who shall work on this contract.

#### H.2. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

- (a) General. The Contractor shall maintain satisfactory standards of employee competency, conduct, cleanliness, appearance and integrity and shall be responsible for taking such disciplinary action with respect to employees as required. Each Contractor employee is expected to adhere to standards of conduct that reflect credit on themselves, their employer, and the United States Government. The Government reserves the right to direct the Contractor to remove an employee from the worksite for failure to comply with the standards of conduct. The Contractor shall immediately replace such an employee to maintain continuity of services at no additional cost to the Government.
- (b) Disorderly conduct, use of abusive or offensive language, quarreling, intimidation by words, actions, or fighting shall not be condoned. Also included is participation in disruptive activities that interfere with normal and efficient Government operations.
- (c) Intoxicants and Narcotics. The Contractor shall not allow its employees while on duty to possess, sell, consume, or be under the influence of intoxicants, drugs or substances that produce similar effects.
- (d) Criminal Actions. Contractor employees may be subject to criminal actions as allowed by law in certain circumstances. These include but are not limited to the following actions:
  - Falsification or unlawful concealment, removal, mutilation, or destruction of any
    official documents or records or concealment of material facts by willful omission from
    official documents or records;
  - Unauthorized use of Government property, theft, vandalism, or immoral conduct;
  - Unethical or improper use of official authority or credentials;
  - Security violations; or,
  - Organizing or participating in gambling in any form.
- (e) Neglect of duties shall not be condoned. This includes sleeping while on duty, unreasonable delays or failures to carry out assigned tasks, conducting personal affairs during duty hours and refusing to render assistance or cooperate in upholding the integrity of the work site security.

## H.3. PERSONNEL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All employees shall be in good general health without physical disabilities that would interfere with acceptable performance of their duties. All employees shall be free from communicable diseases.

## H.4. LAWFUL OPERATION, PERMITS, AND INDEMNIFICATION

- (a) Bonds. The Contractor shall provide any official bonds required, pay any fees or costs involved or related to the authorization for the equipping of any employees engaged in providing services specified under this contract if such bonds or payments are legally required by the local government or local practice.
- (b) Employee Salary Benefits. The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of all employee wages and benefits required by host country law or agreements with its employees. The Government, its agencies, agents, and employees shall not be part of any legal action or obligation regarding these benefits which may subsequently arise. Where local law requires bonuses, specific minimum wage levels, premium pay for holidays, payments for social security, pensions, sick or health benefits, severance payments, child care or any other benefit, the Contractor is responsible for payments of these costs and must include them in the fixed prices in this contract.
- (c) Personal Injury, Property Loss or Damage (Liability). The Contractor assumes absolute responsibility and liability for any and all personal injuries or death and property damage or losses suffered due to negligence of the Contractor's personnel in the performance of this contract. The Contractor's assumption of absolute liability is independent of any insurance policies.
- (d) The types and amounts of insurance are the minimums required. The Contractor shall obtain any other types of insurance required by local law or that are ordinarily or customarily obtained in the location of the work. The limit of such insurance shall be as provided by law or sufficient to meet normal and customary claims.
- (e) For those Contractor employees assigned to this contract who are either United States citizens or hired in the United States or its possessions, the Contractor shall provide workers' compensation insurance in accordance with FAR 52.228-3.
- (f) The Contractor agrees that the Government shall not be responsible for personal injuries or for damages to:
  - (a) Any property of the Contractor,
  - (b) Its officers,
  - (c) Agents,
  - (d) Servants,
  - (e) Employees, or
  - (f) Any other person,

arising from an incident to the Contractor's performance of this contract.

(g) The Contractor shall hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all claims arising, except in the instance of gross negligence on the part of the Government.

- (h) The Contractor shall obtain adequate insurance for damage to, or theft of, materials and equipment in insurance coverage for loose transit to the site or in storage on or off the site.
- (i) Permits. Without additional cost to the Government, the Contractor shall obtain all permits, licenses, and appointments required for the prosecution of work under this contract. The Contractor shall obtain these permits, licenses, and appointments in compliance with applicable host country laws. The Contractor shall provide evidence of possession or status of application for such permits, licenses, and appointments to the Contracting Officer with its proposal. Application, justification, fees, and certifications for any licenses required by the host government are entirely the responsibility of the Contractor.

(j) Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability				
Workers' Compensation and Occupational Disease	As required by host country law			
Employer's Liability	As required by host country law			

## H.5. ORDERING OFFICIAL

The designated ordering individual under FAR 52.216-18 is the Contracting Officer.

## H.6. CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer a current certificate of insurance as evidence of the insurance required. In addition, the Contractor shall furnish evidence of a commitment by the insurance carrier to notify the Contracting Officer in writing of any material change, expiration or cancellation of any of the insurance policies required not less than thirty (30) days before it is effective. When coverage is provided by self-self insurer, the Contractor shall not change or decrease the coverage without the Contracting Officer's approval.

## H.7 BOND/IRREVOCABLE LETTERS OF CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

## H.7.1 BONDS/IRREVOCABLE LETTERS OF CREDIT REQUIRED

The Contractor shall furnish (1) a performance and guaranty bond and a payment bond on forms provided by and from sureties acceptable to the Government, each in the amount of 20% of the contract price, or (2) comparable alternate performance security (irrevocable letter of credit) approved by the Government such as letter of credit/guaranty shown in Section J.

#### H.7.2 TIME FOR SUBMISSION

The Contractor shall provide the bonds or alternate security as required by the paragraph H.7.1 above within ten (10) days after contract award. Failure to submit (1) the required bonds or other security acceptable to the Government in a timely manner; (2) bonds from an acceptable surety; or (3)

bonds in the required amount, may result in rescinding or termination of the contract by the Government. If the contract is terminated, the Contractor will be liable for those costs as described in FAR 52.249-10, "Default (Fixed-Price Construction).

#### H.7.3 COVERAGE

The bonds or alternate performance security shall guarantee the Contractor's execution and completion of the work within the contract time and the correction of any defects after completion as required by this contract, the payment of all wages and other amounts payable by the Contractor under its subcontracts or for labor and materials, and the satisfaction or removal of any liens or encumbrances placed on the work.

## H.7.4 DURATION OF COVERAGE

The required performance and payment securities shall remain in effect in the full amount required until final acceptance of the project by the Government. Upon final acceptance, the penal sum of the performance security only shall be reduced to 10% of the contract price. The performance security shall remain in effect for one year after the date of final completion and acceptance, and the Contractor shall pay any premium required for the entire period of coverage. The requirement for payment security terminates at final acceptance.

## H.7.5 <u>52.228-2</u> ADDITIONAL BOND SECURITY (OCT 1997)

The Contractor shall promptly furnish additional security required to protect the Government and persons supplying labor or materials under this contract if --

- (a) Any surety upon any bond, or issuing financial institution for other security, furnished with this contract becomes unacceptable to the Government;
- (b) Any surety fails to furnish reports on its financial condition as required by the Government; or
  - (c) The contract price is increased so that the penal sum of any bond becomes inadequate in the opinion of the Contracting Officer; or
- (d) An irrevocable letter of credit (ILC) used as security will expire before the end of the period of required security. If the Contractor does not furnish an acceptable extension or replacement ILC, or other acceptable substitute, at least 30 days before an ILC's scheduled expiration, the Contracting Officer has the right to immediately draw on the ILC.

## H.8 <u>INSURANCE</u>

## H.8.1 <u>AMOUNT OF INSURANCE</u>

The Contractor is required by FAR 52.228-5 to provide whatever insurance is legally necessary. The Contractor, shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance period the following insurance amounts:

General Liability (includes premises/operations, collapse hazard, products, completed operations, contractual, independent contractors, broad form property damage, personal injury)

General Liability:					
(1) Bodily injury on or off site stated in U.S. dollars:					
Per Occurrence	CAD \$1,000,000.00				
Cumulative	CAD \$1,000,000.00				
(2) Property damage on or off site in U.S. dollars:					
Per Occurrence	CAD \$1,000,000.00				
Cumulative	CAD \$1,000,000.00				

The foregoing types and amounts of insurance are the minimums required. The Contractor shall obtain any other types of insurance required by local law or that are ordinarily or customarily obtained in the location of the work. The limit of such insurance shall be as provided by law or sufficient to meet normal and customary claims.

The Contractor agrees that the Government shall not be responsible for personal injuries or for damages to any property of the Contractor, its officers, agents, servants, and employees, or any other person, arising from and incident to the Contractor's performance of this contract. The Contractor shall hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all claims arising there from, except in the instance of gross negligence on the part of the Government.

The Contractor shall obtain adequate insurance for damage to, or theft of, materials and equipment in insurance coverage for loose transit to the site or in storage on or off the site.

## H.8.2 GOVERNMENT AS ADDITIONAL INSURED

The general liability policy required of the Contractor shall name "the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of State", as an additional insured with respect to operations performed under this contract.

## H.8.3 <u>INSURANCE-RELATED DISPUTES</u>

Failure to agree to any adjustment contemplated under this contract regarding insurance shall be a dispute within the meaning of the clause in Section I, 52.233-1, Alternate I, "Disputes". Nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the work.

## H.8.4 TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE

The Contractor shall provide evidence of the insurance required under this contract within ten (10) days after contract award. Failure to timely submit this evidence, in a form acceptable to the Contracting Officer, may result in rescinding or termination of the contract by the Government.

## H.9 DEFINITIONS

In addition to the definitions provided in Section I, FAR 52.202-1 and DOSAR 652.202-70, the following definitions shall apply when used in connection with this contract:

- (a) "Contract Drawings or Drawings," where indicated by the context, means those drawings specifically listed in the construction contract or as later incorporated into the contract by contract modification.
  - (b) "Day" means a calendar day unless otherwise specifically indicated.
  - (c) "Host Country" means the country in which the project is located.
- (d) "Material" means all materials, fixtures and other articles incorporated in, or which are intended to remain with, the project.
- (e) "Notice to Proceed" means a written notice to the Contractor from the Contracting Officer authorizing the Contractor to proceed with the work under the contract as of a date set forth in the Notice
- (f) "Other Submittals" includes progress schedules, shop drawings, testing and inspection reports, and other information required by the contract to be submitted by the Contractor for information or approval by the Government.
- (g) "Project Data" includes standard drawings, diagrams, layouts, schematics, descriptive literature, illustrations, schedules, performance and test data, and similar materials furnished by the Contractor to explain in detail specific portions of the work required by the contract.
- (h) "Samples" are physical examples which illustrate materials, equipment or workmanship and establish standards by which the work will be judged.
- (i) "Schedule of Defects" means the list of items, prepared in connection with substantial completion of the work or early occupancy or utilization of a portion thereof, which the Contracting Officer has designated as remaining to be performed, completed or corrected before the work will be accepted by the Government.
- (j) "Separate Contractor" means a contractor, other than the Contractor or any of its subcontractors, to whom the Government has awarded a contract for construction of a portion of the project.
- (k) "Work" means any and all permanent construction which is intended to be incorporated into the finished project and required to be performed or otherwise provided by the Contractor under this contract, unless otherwise indicated by the context.

#### H.10 OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DOCUMENTS

#### H.10.1 OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DRAWINGS, SPECIFICATIONS AND MODELS

- (a) <u>OWNERSHIP</u>. All specifications, drawings, and copies thereof, and models, are the property of the Government.
- (b) <u>USE AND RETURN</u>. The Contractor shall not use or allow others to use the documents described in (a) above on other work. The Contractor shall return or account for the signed contractor set and additional copies provided to or made by the Contractor upon final completion of the work.

## H.10.2 SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

The Contracting Officer shall furnish from time to time such detailed drawings and other information as is considered necessary, in the opinion of the Contracting Officer, to interpret, clarify, supplement, or correct inconsistencies, errors or omissions in the Contract documents, or to describe minor changes in the work not involving an increase in

the contract price or extension of the contract time. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the supplemental documents, and unless the Contractor makes objection within 20 days, their issuance shall not provide for any claim for an increase in the Contract price or an extension of contract time.

#### H.10.3 RECORD DOCUMENTS

The Contractor shall maintain at the project site:

- a current marked set of Contract drawings and specifications indicating all interpretations and clarifications, contract modifications, change orders, or any other departure from the contract requirements approved by the Contracting Officer; and
- a complete set of record shop drawings, product data, samples and other submittals as approved by the Contracting Officer.

#### H.10.4 "AS-BUILT" DOCUMENTS

After final completion of the work, but before final acceptance, the Contractor shall provide:

- complete set of "as-built" drawings, based on the record set of drawings, marked to show the details of construction as actually accomplished; and
- record shop drawings and other submittals, in the number and form as required by the specifications.

# H.11 GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the United States shall govern the contract and its interpretation.

#### H.12 <u>LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY</u>

The manager assigned by the contractor to superintend the work on-site, as required by Section I, 52.236-6, "Superintendence by the Contractor", shall be fluent in written and spoken English.

#### H.13 LAWS AND REGULATIONS

#### H.13.1 COMPLIANCE REQUIRED

The Contractor shall, without additional expense to the Government, be responsible for complying with all laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations applicable to the performance of the work, including those of the host country, and with the lawful orders of any governmental authority having jurisdiction. Host country authorities may not enter the construction site without the permission of the Contracting Officer. Unless otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall comply with the more stringent of the requirements of such laws, regulations and orders and of the contract. In the event of a conflict between the contract and such laws, regulations and orders, the Contractor shall promptly advise the Contracting Officer of the conflict and of the Contractor's proposed course of action for resolution by the Contracting Officer.

#### H.13.2 LABOR, HEALTH AND SAFETY LAWS AND CUSTOMS

The Contractor shall comply with all local labor laws, regulations, customs and practices pertaining to labor, safety, and similar matters, to the extent that such compliance is not inconsistent with the requirements of this contract.

#### H.13.3 SUBCONTRACTORS

The Contractor shall give written assurance to the Contracting Officer that all subcontractors and others performing work on or for the project have obtained all requisite licenses and permits.

# H.13.4 EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE

The Contractor shall submit proper documentation and evidence satisfactory to the Contracting Officer demonstrating compliance with this clause when directed by the Contracting Officer.

#### H.14 <u>RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR</u>

#### H.14.1 <u>DAMAGE TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY</u>

The Contractor shall be responsible for all damages to persons or property that occur as a result of the Contractor's fault or negligence, and shall take proper safety and health precautions to protect the work, the workers, the public, and the property of others.

## H.14.2 <u>RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORK PERFORMED</u>

The Contractor shall be responsible for all materials delivered and work performed until final completion and acceptance of the entire work, except for any completed unit of work which may have been accepted in writing under the contract.

## H.15 CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS

#### H.15.1 OPERATIONS AND STORAGE AREAS

- (a) <u>CONFINEMENT TO AUTHORIZED AREAS</u>. The Contractor shall confine all operations (including storage of materials) on Government premises to areas authorized or approved by the Contracting Officer.
  - (b) VEHICULAR ACCESS. The Contractor shall, and in accordance with any regulations prescribed by the Contracting Officer, use only established site entrances and roadways.

#### H.15.2 <u>USE OF PREMISES</u>

- (a) Occupied Premises. If the premises are occupied, the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their employees shall comply with the regulations promulgated by the Government governing access to, operation of, and conduct while in or on the premises and shall perform the work required under this contract in such a manner as not to unreasonably interrupt or interfere with the conduct of Government business.
- (b) Requests from occupants. The Contractor shall refer any request from occupants of existing buildings to change the sequence of work to the Contracting Officer for determination.
- (c) Access limited. The Contractor, its subcontractors and their employees shall not have access to or be admitted into any building or portion of the site outside the areas designated in this contract except with the permission of the Contracting Officer.

#### H.16 TEMPORARY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

The Contractor may erect temporary buildings (such as, storage sheds, shops, offices) and utilities only with the approval of the Contracting Officer. The cost of these temporary buildings, if required is included in the contract fixed price. The temporary buildings and utilities shall remain the property of the Contractor and shall be removed by the Contractor at its expense upon completion of the work. With the written consent of the Contracting Officer, the buildings and utilities may be abandoned and need not be removed.

## H.17 <u>SAFETY</u>

#### H.17.1 DOSAR 652.236-70 ACCIDENT PREVENTION (APR 2004)

- (a) *General*. The Contractor shall provide and maintain work environments and procedures which will safeguard the public and Government personnel, property, materials, supplies, and equipment exposed to Contractor operations and activities; avoid interruptions of Government operations and delays in project completion dates; and, control costs in the performance of this contract. For these purposes, the Contractor shall:
  - (1) Provide appropriate safety barricades, signs and signal lights;
  - (2) Comply with the standards issued by any local government authority having jurisdiction over occupational health and safety issues; and,
  - (3) Ensure that any additional measures the Contracting Officer determines to be reasonably necessary for this purpose are taken.
  - (4) For overseas construction projects, the Contracting Officer shall specify in writing additional requirements regarding safety if the work involves:
    - (i) Scaffolding;
    - (ii) Work at heights above two (2) meters;
    - (iii) Trenching or other excavation greater than one (1) meter in h;

- (iv) Earth moving equipment;
- (v) Temporary wiring, use of portable electric tools, or other recognized electrical hazards. Temporary wiring and portable electric tools require the use of a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in the affected circuits; other electrical hazards may also require the use of a GFCI;
- (vi) Work in confined spaces (limited exits, potential for oxygen less that 19.5 percent or combustible atmosphere, potential for solid or liquid engulfment, or other hazards considered to be immediately dangerous to life or health such as water tanks, transformer vaults, sewers, cisterns, etc.);
- (vii) Hazardous materials a material with a physical or health hazard including but not limited to, flammable, explosive, corrosive, toxic, reactive or unstable, or any operations which creates any kind of contamination inside an occupied building such as dust from demolition activities, paints, solvents, etc.; or
  - (viii) Hazardous noise levels.
- (b) *Records*. The Contractor shall maintain an accurate record of exposure data on all accidents incident to work performed under this contract resulting in death, traumatic injury, occupational disease, or damage to or theft of property, materials, supplies, or equipment. The Contractor shall report this data in the manner prescribed by the Contracting Officer.
- (c) *Subcontracts*. The Contractor shall be responsible for its subcontractors' compliance with this clause.
  - (d) Written program. Before commencing work, the Contractor shall:
  - (1) Submit a written plan to the Contracting Officer for implementing this clause.

    The plan shall include specific management or technical procedures for effectively controlling hazards associated with the project; and,
  - (2) Meet with the Contracting Officer to discuss and develop a mutual understanding relative to administration of the overall safety program.
- (e) *Notification*. The Contracting Officer shall notify the Contractor of any non-compliance with these requirements and the corrective actions required. This notice, when delivered to the Contractor or the Contractor's representative on site, shall be deemed sufficient notice of the non-compliance and corrective action required. After receiving the notice, the Contractor shall immediately take corrective action. If the Contractor fails or refuses to promptly take corrective action, the Contracting Officer may issue an order suspending all or part of the work until satisfactory corrective action has been taken. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any equitable adjustment of the contract price or extension of the performance schedule on any suspension of work order issued under this clause.

#### H.18 SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS

#### H.18.1 <u>CLAIMS AND ENCUMBRANCES</u>

The Contractor shall satisfy as due all lawful claims of any persons or entities employed by the Contractor, including subcontractors, material men and laborers, for all labor performed and materials furnished under this contract, including the applicable warranty or correction period, unless the Government shall be directly liable by contract. The Contractor shall not at any time permit any lien, attachment, or other encumbrance to be entered against or to remain on the building(s), or the premises, whether public or private, or any portion thereof, as a result of nonperformance of any part of this contract.

#### H.18.2 APPROVAL OF SUBCONTRACTORS

- (a) <u>REVIEW AND APPROVAL</u>. The Government reserves the right to review proposed subcontractors for a period of five (5) days before providing notice of approval or rejection of any or all subcontractors.
- (b) <u>REJECTION OF SUBCONTRACTORS</u>. The Government reserves the right to reject any or all subcontractors proposed if their participation in the project, as determined by the Contracting Officer, may cause damage to the national security interests of the United States. The Contractor agrees to promptly replace any subcontractor rejected by the Government under this clause.

#### H.19 CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL

#### H.19.1 REMOVAL OF PERSONNEL

The Contractor shall maintain discipline at the site and at all times take all reasonable precautions to prevent any unlawful, riotous, or disorderly conduct by or among those at the site. The Contractor shall ensure the preservation of peace and protection of persons and property in the neighborhood of the project. The Contracting Officer may require, in writing, that the Contractor remove from the work any employee that the Contracting Officer deems incompetent, careless, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable, or whose continued employment on the project is deemed by the Contracting Officer to be contrary to the Government's interests.

## H.19.2 CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL SECURITY

After award of the contract, the Contractor shall have ten days to submit to the Contracting Officer a list of workers and supervisors assigned to this project (Biographic Data on Personnel) for the Government to conduct all necessary security checks. It is anticipated that security checks will take 5 business days to perform. For each individual the list shall include:

- Full Name
- Place and Date of Birth
- Current Address
- Valid driver licence

Failure to provide any of the above information may be considered grounds for rejection and/or re-submittal of the application. Once the Government has completed the security screening and approved the applicants, the Government will provide a badge to the individual for access to the site. The Government may revoke this badge at any time due to the falsification of data, or misconduct on site.

## H.20 MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

#### H.20.1 <u>SELECTION AND APPROVAL OF MATERIALS</u>

- (a) <u>STANDARD TO QUALITY</u>. All materials and equipment incorporated into the work shall be new and for the purpose intended, unless otherwise specified. All workmanship shall be of good quality and performed in a skillful manner that will withstand inspection.
- (b) <u>SELECTION BY CONTRACTOR</u>. Where the contract permits the Contractor to select products, materials or equipment to be incorporated in the work, or where specific approval is otherwise required by the contract, the Contractor shall furnish a Submittal Register to the Contracting Officer, for approval. The Submittal Register shall include the names of the manufacturer, model number, and source of procurement of each such product, material or equipment, together with other pertinent information concerning the nature, appearance, dimensions, performance, capacity, and rating. To ensure a timely review the Contractor shall provide a submittal register ten days after contract award showing when shop drawings, samples, or submittals shall be made. When directed to do so, the Contractor shall submit samples for approval at the Contractor's expense, with all shipping charges prepaid. Installation or use of any products, materials or equipment without the required approval shall be at the risk of subsequent rejection.

#### H.20.2 CUSTODY OF MATERIALS

The Contractor shall be responsible for the custody of all materials received for incorporation into the project, including Government furnished materials, upon delivery to the Contractor or to any person for whom it is responsible, including subcontractors. The Contractor shall deliver all such items to the site as soon as practicable. If required by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall clearly mark in a manner directed by the Contracting Officer all items of which the Contractor has custody but which have not been delivered or secured at the site, clearly indicating the use of such items for the U.S. Government project.

# H.20.3 BASIS OF CONTRACT PRICE

The contract price is based on the use of the materials, products and equipment specified in the contract, except for substitutions or "Or-Equal" items proposed by the

Contractor which have been specifically approved by the Government at the time of execution of the contract. Any substitution approved by the Government after execution of the contract shall be subject to an appropriate adjustment of the contract price.

#### H.20.4 SUBSTITUTIONS

- (a) <u>PRIOR APPROVAL REQUIRED</u>. The Contractor must receive approval in writing from the Contracting Officer before substitutions (1) proposed by the Contractor but not yet approved at the time of execution of the contract, or (2) proposed by the Contractor after execution of the contract may be used in the project. Sufficient information to permit evaluation by the Government must accompany any substitution request including but not limited to the reasons for the proposed substitution and data concerning the design, appearance, performance, composition, and relative cost of the proposed substitute. The Contractor shall make requests for substitutions in a timely manner to permit adequate evaluation by the Government. If, in the Contracting Officer's opinion, the use of such substitute items is not in the best interests of the Government, the Contractor must obtain the items originally specified with no adjustment in the contract price or completion date.
- (b) <u>APPROVAL THROUGH SHOP DRAWINGS</u>. The Contractor may propose substitutions of materials in the submittal of shop drawings, provided such substitution is specifically requested in writing in the transmittal of the shop drawings to the Contracting Officer. Such substitution requests must be made in a timely manner and supported by the required information.
- (c) <u>FINAL APPROVAL ON DELIVERY</u>. Acceptance or approval of proposed substitutions under the contract are conditioned upon approval of items delivered at the site or approval by sample. Approval by sample shall not limit the Government's right to reject material after delivery to the site if the material does not conform to the approved sample in all material respects.

#### H.20.5. "OR-EQUAL CLAUSE"

References in the Specifications/Statement of Work to materials, products or equipment by trade name, make, or catalog number, or to specific processes, shall be regarded as establishing a standard of quality and shall not be construed as limiting competition. The Contractor may propose for approval or rejection by the Contracting Officer the substitution of any material, product, equipment or process that the Contractor believes to be equal to or better than that named in the Specifications/Statement of Work, unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract.

#### H.20.6 <u>USE AND TESTING OF SAMPLES</u>

("Samples" include materials and equipment.)

(a) <u>USE</u>. The Contractor shall send approved samples not destroyed in testing to the Contracting Officer. Those which are in good condition will be marked for identification

and may be used in the work. Materials and equipment incorporated in the work shall match the approved samples within any specified tolerances. Other samples not destroyed in testing or not approved will be returned to the Contractor at its expense if so requested.

- (b) <u>FAILURE OF SAMPLES</u>. If a sample fails to pass the specified tests described in this contract, any further samples of the same brand or make of that equipment may not be considered for use in performance under this contract.
- (c) <u>TAKING AND TESTING OF SAMPLES</u>. Samples delivered on the site or in place may be taken by the Contracting Officer for additional testing by the Government outside of those required by the Contract documents. Samples failing to meet contract requirements will automatically void previous approvals of the items tested. The Contractor shall replace such materials or equipment found not to have met contract requirements, unless the Contracting Officer determines it to be in the Government's interest to accept the non-conforming materials or equipment with an appropriate adjustment of the Contract price as determined by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) <u>COST OF ADDITIONAL TESTING BY THE GOVERNMENT</u>. When additional tests of samples are performed, only one test of each sample proposed for use will be made at the expense of the Government. Samples which do not meet contract requirements will be rejected. Further testing of additional samples, if required, will be made at the expense of the Contractor.

#### H.21 IMPORTED MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, AND PERSONNEL

## H.21.1 SHIPMENT AND CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

- (a) Costs to be borne by Contractor. The Contractor is responsible for paying all charges incurred in obtaining materials that must be imported for the project and in transporting the materials from their place or origin to the construction site. Moving costs shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, packing, handling, cartage, overland freight, ocean freight, transshipment, port, unloading, customs clearance and duties (other than customs duties specified below), unpacking, storage, and all other charges including administrative costs in connection with obtaining and transporting the materials from their source to the project site.
- (b) Duty-free clearance. The Contractor shall not be responsible for customs duties for which the Government has been able to obtain a customs waiver. The Contractor shall

follow the instructions of the Contracting Officer as to the manner of labeling the shipping containers or otherwise processing shipments of imported materials in order to obtain, or continue to receive, duty free clearance through customs. The Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of customs duties, if any, which:

- (1) are imposed on items which are not labeled and processed in accordance with the Contracting Officer's instructions,
- (2) are imposed on the Contractor's tools, construction equipment and machinery imported for use on the project, or
- (3) are otherwise ineligible for duty-free entry. The Contractor is responsible for customs duties where the Contractor has failed to give adequate and timely notice to the Contracting Officer of importation on containers or materials which may be eligible for a customs waiver. The Contracting Officer will provide instructions concerning time periods for notification of importation by the Contractor.
- (c) Customs Clearance. The Government will be responsible for obtaining customs clearances, and for obtaining exemption certificates or paying customs duties not waived, for imported products, materials and equipment which are labeled and processed in accordance with the Contracting Officer's instructions. The Government shall not be responsible for obtaining customs clearance for the Contractor's tools, construction equipment or machinery, nor for obtaining visas, entry or work permits for the Contractor's personnel.

#### H.21.2 SURPLUS MATERIALS

Unless otherwise specified, any surplus materials, fixtures, articles or equipment remaining at the completion of the project shall become the property of the Contractor, except those items furnished by the Government, whose cost is not included in the contract price.

#### H.22 SPECIAL WARRANTIES

#### H.22.1 SPECIAL WARRANTY OBLIGATIONS

Any special warranties that may be required under the contract shall be subject to the stipulations set forth in 52.246-21, "Warranty of Construction", as long as they do not conflict with the special warranty.

#### H.22.2 WARRANTY INFORMATION

The Contractor shall obtain and furnish to the Government all information required in order to make any subcontractor's, manufacturers, or supplier's guarantee or warranty legally binding and effective. The Contractor shall submit both the information and the guarantee or warranty to the Government in sufficient time to permit the Government to meet any time limit specified in the guarantee or warranty, but not later than completion and acceptance of all work under this contract.

# H.23 EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS

#### H.23.1 BASIS FOR EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS

Any circumstance for which the contract provides an equitable adjustment that causes a change within the meaning of paragraph (a) of the "Changes" clause shall be treated as a change under that clause. The Contractor shall give the Contracting Officer written notice (within 20 days) stating:

- (a) the date, circumstances, and applicable contract clause authorizing an equitable adjustment and
- (b) that the Contractor regards the event as a changed condition for which an equitable adjustment is allowed under the contract.

#### H.23.2 <u>DIFFERING SITE CONDITION NOTICE</u>

The Contractor shall provide written notice of a differing site condition within 10 days of occurrence following FAR 52.236-2, Differing Site Conditions.

#### H.23.3 DOCUMENTATION OF PROPOSALS FOR EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS

- (a) <u>ITEMIZATION OF PROPOSALS AND REQUESTS</u>. The Contractor shall submit any request for equitable adjustment in the contract price, including any change proposal submitted in accordance with the "Changes" clause, in the form of a lump sum proposal supported with an itemized breakdown of all increases and decreases in the contract price in the detail required by the Contracting Officer, The request shall include all costs and delays related to or arising out of the change or event giving rise to the proposed adjustment, including any delay damages and additional overhead costs.
- (b) <u>PROPOSED TIME ADJUSTMENTS</u>. The Contractor shall submit a proposed time extension (if applicable) with any request for an equitable adjustment or change proposal. The request shall include sufficient information to demonstrate whether and to what extent the change will delay the completion of the contract.
- (c) <u>RELEASE BY CONTRACTOR</u>. The price and time adjustment made in any contract modification issued as a result of a change proposal or request for an equitable adjustment shall be considered to account for all items affected by the change or other circumstances giving rise to an equitable adjustment. Upon issuance of such contract modification, the Government shall be released from any and all liability under this contract for further equitable adjustments attributable to the facts and circumstances giving rise to the change proposal or request for equitable adjustment.

#### H.24 NON-COMPLIANCE WITH CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

If the Contractor, after receiving written notice from the Contracting Officer of noncompliance with any requirement of this contract, fails to initiate promptly appropriate action(s) to bring performance/work into compliance with a contract requirement within a reasonable period of time, the Contracting Officer shall have the right to order the Contractor to suspend any or all work under the contract. This order shall be in force until the Contractor has complied or has initiated such action as may be appropriate to comply within a reasonable period of time. The Contractor will not be entitled to any extension of contract time or payment for any costs incurred as a result of being ordered to suspend work for such a cause.

## H.25 ZONING APPROVALS AND BUILDING PERMITS

The Government is responsible for:

- obtaining proper zoning or other land use control approval for the project,
- obtaining the approval of the Contract Drawings and Specifications,
- paying fees due, and
- obtaining and paying for the initial building permits.

# SECTION I CONTRACT CLAUSES

# I.1. THE FOLLOWING FAR CLAUSES APPLY FOR ALL SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THIS CONTRACT.

# 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. In addition, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at: <u>Acquisition.gov</u> this address is subject to change.

If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the location indicated above, use the Department of State Acquisition website at <u>e-CFR</u> to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet "search engine" (for example, Google, Yahoo or Excite) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation clauses are incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL AO CLAUSE	CQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CH. 1) <u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.202-1	DEFINITIONS (JUN 2020)
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#### I.7. 52.229-12 Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (JUN 2020)

(a) *Definitions*. As used in this clause—

*Foreign person* means any person other than a United States person.

*United States person*, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30), means—

- (1) A citizen or resident of the United States;
- (2) A domestic partnership;
- (3) A domestic corporation;
- (4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(31)); and
- (5) Any trust if—
- (i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and
- (ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.
- (b) This clause applies only to foreign persons. It implements 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.
- (c)(1) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has only a partial or no exemption to the withholding, the Contractor shall include the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, with each voucher or invoice submitted under this contract throughout the period in which this status is applicable. The excise tax withholding is applied at the payment level, not at the contract level. The Contractor should revise each IRS Form W-14 submission to reflect the exemption (if any) that applies to that particular invoice, such as a different exemption applying. In the absence of a completed IRS Form W-14 accompanying a payment request, the default withholding percentage is 2 percent for the

section 5000C withholding for that payment request. Information about IRS Form W-14 and its separate instructions is available via the internet **at www.irs.gov/w14**.

- (2) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has indicated in its offer in the provision 52.229-11, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements—Notice and Representation, that it is fully exempt from the withholding, and certified the full exemption on the IRS Form W-14, and if that full exemption no longer applies due to a change in circumstances during the performance of the contract that causes the Contractor to become subject to the withholding for the 2 percent excise tax then the Contractor shall—
- (i) Notify the Contracting Officer within 30 days of a change in circumstances that causes the Contractor to be subject to the excise tax withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C; and
  - (ii) Comply with paragraph (c)(1) of this clause.
- (d) The Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment unless the Contractor claims an exemption. If the Contractor enters a ratio in Line 12 of the IRS Form W-14, the result of Line 11 divided by Line 10, the Government will withhold from each payment an amount equal to 2 percent multiplied by the contract ratio. If the Contractor marks box 9 of the IRS Form W-14 (rather than completes Lines 10 through 12), 3ontractor must identify and enter the specific exempt and nonexempt amounts in Line 15 of the IRS Form W-14; the Government will then withhold 2 percent only from the nonexempt amount. See the IRS Form W-14 and its instructions.
- (e) Exemptions from the withholding under this clause are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). Any exemption claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue.
  - (f) Taxes imposed under 26 U.S.C. 5000C may not be—
  - (1) Included in the contract price; nor
  - (2) Reimbursed.
- (g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions.

#### (End of clause)

#### I.8 52.232-19 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR (APR 1984)

Funds are not presently available for performance under this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year. The Government's obligation for performance of this contract beyond that date

is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise for performance under this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year, until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for performance and until the Contractor receives notice of availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE ACQUISITION REGULATION (DOSAR) CLAUSES:

The following DOSAR clause is hereby incorporated by reference:

#### 652.237-71 RESERVED

#### **CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION (JULY 2008)**

Contract performance may require contractor personnel to attend meetings with government personnel and the public, work within government offices, and/or utilize government email.

Contractor personnel must take the following actions to identify themselves as non-federal employees:

- 1) Use an email signature block that shows name, the office being supported and company affiliation (e.g. "John Smith, Office of Human Resources, ACME Corporation Support Contractor");
- 2) Clearly identify themselves and their contractor affiliation in meetings;
- 3) Identify their contractor affiliation in Departmental e-mail and phone listings whenever contractor personnel are included in those listings; and
- 4) Contractor personnel may not utilize Department of State logos or indicia on business cards. (End of clause)

# <u>I.8</u> <u>652.236-70</u> <u>ADDITIONAL SAFETY MEASURES (OCT 2017)</u>

In addition to the safety/accident prevention requirements of FAR 52.236-13, Accident Prevention Alternate I, the contractor shall comply with the following additional safety measures.

- (a) *High Risk Activities*. If the project contains any of the following high risk activities, the contractor shall follow the section in the latest edition, as of the date of the solicitation, of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Safety and Health manual, EM 38511, that corresponds to the high risk activity. Before work may proceed, the contractor must obtain approval from the COR of the written safety plan required by FAR 52.236-13, Accident Prevention Alternate I (see paragraph (f) below), containing specific hazard mitigation and control techniques.
  - (1) Scaffolding;
  - (2) Work at heights above 1.8 meters;
  - (3) Trenching or other excavation greater than one (1) meter in depth;
  - (4) Earth-moving equipment and other large vehicles;
  - (5) Cranes and rigging;

- (6) Welding or cutting and other hot work;
- (7) Partial or total demolition of a structure;
- (8) Temporary wiring, use of portable electric tools, or other recognized electrical hazards. Temporary wiring and portable electric tools require the use of a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in the affected circuits; other electrical hazards may also require the use of a GFCI;
- (9) Work in confined spaces (limited exits, potential for oxygen less than 19.5 percent or combustible atmosphere, potential for solid or liquid engulfment, or other hazards considered to be immediately dangerous to life or health such as water tanks, transformer vaults, sewers, cisterns, etc.);
- (10) Hazardous materials a material with a physical or health hazard including but not limited to, flammable, explosive, corrosive, toxic, reactive or unstable, or any operations, which creates any kind of contamination inside an occupied building such as dust from demolition activities, paints, solvents, etc.; or
- (11) Hazardous noise levels as required in EM 385-1 Section 5B or local standards if more restrictive.
- (b) Safety and Health Requirements. The contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with the latest edition of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Safety and Health manual EM 385-1-1, or OSHA 29 CFR parts 1910 or 1926 if no EM 385-1-1 requirements are applicable, and the accepted contractor's written safety program.
- (c) *Mishap Reporting*. The contractor is required to report **immediately** all mishaps to the COR and the contracting officer. A "mishap" is any event causing injury, disease or illness, death, material loss or property damage, or incident causing environmental contamination. The mishap reporting requirement shall include fires, explosions, hazardous materials contamination, and other similar incidents that may threaten people, property, and equipment.
- (d) *Records*. The contractor shall maintain an accurate record on all mishaps incident to work performed under this contract resulting in death, traumatic injury, occupational disease, or damage to or theft of property, materials, supplies, or equipment. The contractor shall report this data in the manner prescribed by the contracting officer.
- (e) *Subcontracts*. The contractor shall insert this clause, including this paragraph (e), with appropriate changes in the designation of the parties, in subcontracts.
- (f) Written program. The plan required by paragraph (f)(1) of the clause entitled "Accident Prevention Alternate I" shall be known as the Site Safety and Health Plan (SSHP) and shall address any activities listed in paragraph (a) of this clause, or as otherwise required by the contracting officer/COR.
- (1) The SSHP shall be submitted at least 10 working days prior to commencing any activity at the site.

- (2) The plan must address developing activity hazard analyses (AHAs) for specific tasks. The AHAs shall define the activities being performed and identify the work sequences, the specific anticipated hazards, site conditions, equipment, materials, and the control measures to be implemented to eliminate or reduce each hazard to an acceptable level of risk. Work shall not begin until the AHA for the work activity has been accepted by the COR and discussed with all engaged in the activity, including the Contractor, subcontractor(s), and Government on-site representatives.
- (3) The names of the Competent/Qualified Person(s) required for a particular activity (for example, excavations, scaffolding, fall protection, other activities as specified by EM 38511) shall be identified and included in the AHA. Proof of their competency/qualification shall be submitted to the contracting officer or COR for acceptance prior to the start of that work activity. The AHA shall be reviewed and modified as necessary to address changing site conditions, operations, or change of competent/qualified person(s).

(End of clause)

# <u>I.9</u> <u>652.243-70</u> <u>NOTICES (AUG 1999)</u>

Any notice or request relating to this contract given by either party to the other shall be in writing. Said notice or request shall be mailed or delivered by hand to the other party at the address provided in the schedule of the contract. All modifications to the contract must be made in writing by the Contracting Officer.

#### <u>I.10</u> <u>652.242-73</u> <u>AUTHORIZATION AND PERFORMANCE (AUG 1999)</u>

- (a) The Contractor warrants the following:
- (1) That is has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;
- (2) That is has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract; and,
- (3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.
- (b) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

#### <u>I.11</u> <u>RESERVED</u>

# <u>I.12 652.237-72</u> OBSERVANCE OF LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE (APR 2004)

(a) The Department of State observes the following days as holidays\*:

New Year's Day Martin Luther King's Birthday Washington's Day Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Day Columbus Day Veterans Day Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day

- (b) When any such day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the following Monday is observed. Observance of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract. If the Contractor's personnel work on a holiday, no form of holiday or other premium compensation will be reimbursed either as a direct or indirect cost, unless authorized pursuant to an overtime clause elsewhere in this contract.
- (c) When the Department of State grants administrative leave to its Government employees, assigned Contractor personnel in Government facilities shall also be dismissed. However, if the Contractor agrees to continue to provide sufficient personnel to perform round-the-clock requirements of critical tasks already in operation or scheduled, and shall be guided by the instructions issued by the Contracting Officer or his/her duly authorized representative.
- (d) For fixed-price contracts, if services are not required or provided because the building is closed due to inclement weather, unanticipated holidays declared by the President, failure of Congress to appropriate funds, or similar reasons, deductions will be computed as follows:
  - (1) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be equal to the per month contract price divided by 21 days per month.
  - (2) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be multiplied by the number of days services are not required or provided.
- (e) If administrative leave is granted to Contractor personnel as a result of conditions stipulated in any "Excusable Delays" clause of this contract, it will be without loss to the Contractor. The cost of salaries and wages to the Contractor for the period of any such excused absence shall be a reimbursable item of direct cost hereunder for employees whose regular time is normally charged, and a reimbursable item of indirect cost for employees whose time is normally charged indirectly in accordance with the Contractor's accounting policy.

# I.13 652.225-71 SECTION 8(A) OF THE EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT OF 1979, AS AMENDED (AUG 1999)

(a) Section 8(a) of the U.S. Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. 2407(a)), prohibits compliance by U.S. persons with any boycott fostered by a foreign country against a country which is friendly to the United States and which is not itself the object of any form of

<sup>\*</sup>Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order, or Presidential Proclamation.

boycott pursuant to United States law or regulation. The Boycott of Israel by Arab League countries is such a boycott, and therefore, the following actions, if taken with intent to comply with, further, or support the Arab League Boycott of Israel, are prohibited activities under the Export Administration Act:

- (1) Refusing, or requiring any U.S. person to refuse to do business with or in Israel, with any Israeli business concern, or with any national or resident of Israel, or with any other person, pursuant to an agreement of, or a request from or on behalf of a boycotting country;
- (2) Refusing, or requiring any U.S. person to refuse to employ or otherwise discriminating against any person on the basis of race, religion, sex, or national origin of that person or of any owner, officer, director, or employee of such person;
- (3) Furnishing information with respect to the race, religion, or national origin of any U.S. person or of any owner, officer, director, or employee of such U.S. person;
- (4) Furnishing information about whether any person has, has had, or proposes to have any business relationship (including a relationship by way of sale, purchase, legal or commercial representation, shipping or other transport, insurance, investment, or supply) with or in the State of Israel, with any business concern organized under the laws of the State of Israel, with any Israeli national or resident, or with any person which is known or believed to be restricted from having any business relationship with or in Israel;
- (5) Furnishing information about whether any person is a member of, has made contributions to, or is otherwise associated with or involved in the activities of any charitable or fraternal organization which supports the State of Israel; and,
- (6) Paying, honoring, confirming, or otherwise implementing a letter of credit which contains any condition or requirement against doing business with the State of Israel.
- (b) Under Section 8(a), the following types of activities are not forbidden ``compliance with the boycott," and are therefore exempted from Section 8(a)'s prohibitions listed in paragraphs (a)(1)-(6) above:
  - (1) Complying or agreeing to comply with requirements:
  - (i) Prohibiting the import of goods or services from Israel or goods produced or services provided by any business concern organized under the laws of Israel or by nationals or residents of Israel; or,
  - (ii) Prohibiting the shipment of goods to Israel on a carrier of Israel, or by a route other than that prescribed by the boycotting country or the recipient of the shipment;
  - (2) Complying or agreeing to comply with import and shipping document requirements with respect to the country of origin, the name of the carrier and route of shipment, the name of the supplier of the shipment or the name of the provider of other services, except that no information knowingly furnished or conveyed in response to such requirements may be stated in negative, blacklisting, or similar exclusionary terms, other than with respect to carriers or route of shipments as may be permitted by such regulations in order to comply with precautionary requirements protecting against war risks and confiscation;

- (3) Complying or agreeing to comply in the normal course of business with the unilateral and specific selection by a boycotting country, or national or resident thereof, of carriers, insurance, suppliers of services to be performed within the boycotting country or specific goods which, in the normal course of business, are identifiable by source when imported into the boycotting country;
- (4) Complying or agreeing to comply with the export requirements of the boycotting country relating to shipments or transshipments of exports to Israel, to any business concern of or organized under the laws of Israel, or to any national or resident of Israel;
- (5) Compliance by an individual or agreement by an individual to comply with the immigration or passport requirements of any country with respect to such individual or any member of such individual's family or with requests for information regarding requirements of employment of such individual within the boycotting country; and,
- (6) Compliance by a U.S. person resident in a foreign country or agreement by such person to comply with the laws of that country with respect to his or her activities exclusively therein, and such regulations may contain exceptions for such resident complying with the laws or regulations of that foreign country governing imports into such country of trademarked, trade named, or similarly specifically identifiable products, or components of products for his or her own use, including the performance of contractual services within that country, as may be defined by such regulations.

#### I.14. 652.229-71 PERSONAL PROPERTY DISPOSITION AT POSTS ABROAD (AUG 1999)

Regulations at 22 CFR Part 136 require that U.S. Government employees and their families do not profit personally from sales or other transactions with persons who are not themselves entitled to exemption from import restrictions, duties, or taxes. Should the Contractor experience importation or tax privileges in a foreign country because of its contractual relationship to the United States Government, the Contractor shall observe the requirements of 22 CFR Part 136 and all policies, rules, and procedures issued by the chief of mission in that foreign country.

#### I.15 PAYMENT IN LOCAL CURRENCY

All payments shall be made in Canadian dollars.

# <u>I.16</u> 652.229-70 EXCISE TAX EXEMPTION STATEMENT FOR CONTRACTORS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES (JUL 1988)

This is to certify that the item(s) covered by this contract is/are for export solely for the use of the U.S. Foreign Service Post identified in the contract schedule.

The Contractor shall use a photocopy of this contract as evidence of intent to export. Final proof of exportation may be obtained from the agent handling the shipment. Such proof shall be accepted in lieu of payment of excise tax.

#### **NDAA 889**

Due to recent changes in United States law, your company may be prohibited from contracting with the U.S. Government if you utilize Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei, Hytera,

Hangzhou, Dahua or, ZTE Technologies (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities) in your daily operations. This technology includes for example, routers, modems, or telephonic communications equipment.

Please read, verify, sign and return the attached document as soon as possible. Please reply soonest and let me know if you have any questions.

COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES – REPRESENTATION				
Contractor Name:				
Contractor's Authorized Representative:				
Signature:				
Date:				

# 52.204-24 REPRESENTATION REGARDING CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (AUG 2020)

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in the provision at 52.204-26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v) of the provision at 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items.

# (a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

#### (b) *Prohibition*.

(1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

- (i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (2)Section 889(a) (1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
- (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (c) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (d) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that—(1) It  $\square$  will,  $\boxtimes$  will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and (2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—
- It  $\square$  does,  $\boxtimes$  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section. (e) *Disclosures*.
- (1)Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
- (i)For covered equipment—
- (A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);

- (B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
- (ii) For covered services—
- (A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
- (2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
- (i) For covered equipment—
- (A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);
- (B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.
- (ii) For covered services—
- (A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B)If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

# (End of provision)

# **52.204-25 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONSAND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (AUG 2020)**

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

*Backhaul* means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (*e.g.*, connecting cell phones/towers to the core telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (e.g., microwave) or wired (*e.g.*, fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).

# Covered foreign country means - The People's Republic of China. Covered telecommunications equipment or services means-

- (1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (2)For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (3)Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or
- (4)Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

#### Critical technology means-

- (1)Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;
- (2)Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled-
- (i)Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or
- (ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;
- (3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);
- (4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);
- (5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or
- (6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

**Interconnection arrangements means -** arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (*e.g.*, connection of a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.

**Reasonable inquiry means -** an inquiry designed to uncover any information in the entity's possession about the identity of the producer or provider of covered telecommunications equipment or services used by the entity that excludes the need to include an internal or third-party audit.

**Roaming means** - cellular communications services (*e.g.*, voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.

**Substantial or essential component means -** any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service. (b)*Prohibition*.

(1)Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13,2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. The Contractor is prohibited from providing to the Government any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR 4.2104. (2)Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract, or extending or renewing a contract, with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR 4.2104. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract.

- (c) Exceptions. This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—
- (1)A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (2) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles. (d) Reporting requirement.
- (1)In the event the Contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the Contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the Contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the Contracting Officer, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information; in the case of the Department of Defense, the Contractor shall report to the website at https://dibnet.dod.mil. For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer for the indefinite delivery contract and the Contracting Officer(s) for any affected order or, in the case of the Department of Defense, identify both the indefinite delivery contract and any affected orders in the report provided at https://dibnet.dod.mil.
- (2)The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph(d)(1) of this clause
- (i)Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: the contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

- (ii)Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the Contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.
- (e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e) and excluding paragraph (b)(2), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items. (End of clause)

# **52.204-26** COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES-REPRESENTATION (DEC 2019)

- (a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (c) Representation. The Offeror represents that it  $\square$  does,  $\boxtimes$  does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument. (End of provision)

# SECTION J LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

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# Attachment 1

SF25 PERFORMANCE BOND.pdf

# Attachment 2

SF25A PAYMENT BOND.pdf

#### ATTACHMENT #3 - SAMPLE LETTER OF BANK GUARANTY

Place [ ]
Date [ ]

Contracting Officer
U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL
1000, 615 MACLEOD TRAIL SE, CALGARY
ALBERTA, T2G 4T8

Letter of Guaranty No. \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: Performance and Guaranty

The Undersigned, acting as the duly authorized representative of the bank, declares that the bank hereby guarantees to make payment to the Contracting Officer by check made payable to the Treasurer of the United States, immediately upon notice, after receipt of a simple written request from the Contracting Officer, immediately and entirely without any need for the Contracting Officer to protest or take any legal action or obtain the prior consent of the Contractor to show any other proof, action, or decision by another authority, up to the sum of [insert amount equal to 40% of the contract price in U.S. dollars during the period ending with the date of final acceptance, and 10% of the contract price during contract guaranty period], which represents the deposit required of the Contractor to guarantee fulfillment of his obligations for the satisfactory, complete, and timely performance of the said contract [insert contract number] for [Bathrooms and kitchen renovation] at the United States Consulate General Calgary in strict compliance with the terms, conditions and specifications of said contract, entered into between the Government and [insert name of contractor] of [insert address of contractor] on [insert contract date], plus legal charges of 10% per annum on the amount called due, calculated on the sixth day following receipt of the Contracting Officer's written request until the date of payment.

The undersigned agrees and consents that said contract may be modified by Change Order or Supplemental Agreement affecting the validity of the guaranty provided, however, that the amount of this guaranty shall remain unchanged.

The undersigned agrees and consents that the Contracting Officer may make repeated partial demands on the guaranty up to the total amount of this guaranty, and the bank will promptly honor each individual demand.

This letter of guaranty shall remain in effect until 3 months after completion of the guaranty period of Contract requirement.

Depository Institution:	[name]	
Address:		
Representatives		Location
:		:
		State of
		Inc.:
		Corporate Seal:
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Certificate of Authority is attached evidencing authority of the signer to bind the bank to this document.

# Attachment 6 CONTRACTOR FURNISHED MATERIALS

The Contractor shall provide all equipment, materials, and supplies required to perform. Such items include, but are not limited to:

Install 1 CCTV camera at front gate entrance with IP intercom, providing the following equipment:

- Aviglon 4.0 MP Camera pendant dome 3.3-9mm or equivalent (4.0MP WDR, Light Catcher, Day/Night, Pendant Dome, 3.3-9mm f/1.3 P-iris lens, Next-Generation Analytics)
- BEL1217 hazard rated Cat 6 Tech Cable
- Camera licence
- Pole, pole mount adapter; wall bracket
- Aviglon H4 video intercom or equivalent (3.0 MP, H4 video intercom, WDR, Light Catcher, Day/Night, 1.83mm f/2.4, integrated IR
- Surface mount adapter for intercom; safety relay for video intercom
- Pedestal PM-429CBLK 42" black pad mount gooseneck pedestal with conduit

Install 1 CCTV camera on the North East roof overhang of the home, to cover the North side bedroom, providing the following equipment:

- Aviglon 4.0 MP Camera bullet 3.3-9mm or equivalent
- (4.0MP WDR, Light Catcher, Day/Night, Pendant Dome, 3.3-9mm f/1.3 P-iris lens, Integrated IR, Next-Generation Analytics)
- Camera junction box
- Metal pipe conduit
- Camera licence

Install 1 CCTV camera on backyard metal pole, providing the following equipment:

- Aviglon 15MP Camera multi-sensor 270 degrees pendant pole mount or equivalent (3 x 5.0MP WDR, Light Catcher, 2.8mm lens, Day/Night, H4AMH-DO-COVR1 Dome bubble and cover, IRPTZ-MNT-NPTA1 pendant NPT adapter.
- Smoke bubble H4AMH-DO-COVR1-SMOKE and IR illuminator ring H4AMH-AD-IRIL1
- Aviglon H5 pole mount adapter
- Conduit pipe and boxes
- Camera licence

# SECTION K REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

# K.1. 52.203-11 CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (SEP 2007)

- (a) Definitions. As used in this provision "Lobbying contact" has the meaning provided at 2 USC 1602(8). The terms "agency", "influencing or attempting to influence", "officer or employee of an agency", "person", "reasonable compensation", and "regularly employed" are defined in the FAR clause of this solicitation entitled Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (52.203-12).
- (b) Prohibition. The prohibition and exceptions contained in the FAR clause of this solicitation entitled "Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions" (52.203-12) are hereby incorporated by reference in this provision.

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- (c) Certification. The offeror, by signing its offer, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress on its behalf in connection with the awarding of this contract.
- (d) Disclosure. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contract on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its officer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.
- (e) Penalty. Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by 31 USC 1352. Any persons who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure required to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$250,000, for each failure.

#### K.2. 52.203-2 CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (APR 1985)

#### (a) The offeror certifies that –

- (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit an offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered:
- (2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case

of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory
  - (1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
    - (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above

[Insert full name of person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the offeror's organization];

- (ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and
- (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
- (c) If the offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)(2) above, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

#### K.3. 52.204-3 TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION (OCT 1998)

#### (a) Definitions.

"Common parent", as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member.

"Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)", as used in this provision, means the number required by the IRS to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

(b) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (d)through (f) of this provision in order to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325 (d), reporting requirements of 26 USC 6041, 6041A, and 6050M and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). If the resulting contract is subject to the reporting requirements

described in FAR 4.904, the failure or refusal by the offeror to furnish the information may result in a 31 percent reduction of payments otherwise due under the contract.

The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 USC 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(d) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
TIN: TIN has been applied for TIN is not required because: Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S. and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the U.S.; Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.
(e) Type of Organization.
Sole Proprietorship; Partnership: Corporate Entity (not tax exempt); Corporate Entity (tax exempt); Government entity (Federal, State, or local); Foreign government; International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4; Other
(f) Common Parent.
Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (a) of this clause.  Name and TIN of common parent;  Name TIN  (End of provision)
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- <u>K.4.</u>
- <u>K.5.</u> FAR 52.204-8 Annual Representations and Certifications (Mar 2020)
- (a) (1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is <u>561621.</u>

- (2) The small business size standard is **\$20.5 Million USD**..
- (3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.
- (b) (1) If the provision at <u>52.204-7</u>, System for Award Management, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (d) of this provision applies.
- (2) If the provision at <u>52.204-7</u>, System for Award Management, is not included in this solicitation, and the Offeror has an active registration in the System for Award Management (SAM), the Offeror may choose to use paragraph (d) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. The Offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:
  - (i) ☐ Paragraph (d) applies.
- (ii)  $\square$  Paragraph (d) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.

(c)

- (1) The following representations or certifications in SAM are applicable to this solicitation as indicated:
- (i) <u>52.203-2</u>, Certificate of Independent Price Determination. This provision applies to solicitations when a firm-fixed-price contract or fixed-price contract with economic price adjustment is contemplated, unless-
- (A) The acquisition is to be made under the simplified acquisition procedures in <u>part</u> 13;
- (B) The solicitation is a request for technical proposals under two-step sealed bidding procedures; or
  - (C) The solicitation is for utility services for which rates are set by law or regulation.
- (ii) <u>52.203-11</u>, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions. This provision applies to solicitations expected to exceed \$150,000.
- (iii) <u>52.203-18</u>, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements-Representation. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (iv) <u>52.204-3</u>, Taxpayer Identification. This provision applies to solicitations that do not include the provision at <u>52.204-7</u>, System for Award Management.

- (v) <u>52.204-5</u>, Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business). This provision applies to solicitations that-
  - (A) Are not set aside for small business concerns;
  - (B) Exceed the simplified acquisition threshold; and
  - (C) Are for contracts that will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (vi) <u>52.204-26</u>, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (vii) <u>52.209-2</u>, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations-Representation.
- (viii) <u>52.209-5</u>, Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters. This provision applies to solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.
- (ix) <u>52.209-11</u>, Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (x) <u>52.214-14</u>, Place of Performance-Sealed Bidding. This provision applies to invitations for bids except those in which the place of performance is specified by the Government.
- (xi) <u>52.215-6</u>, Place of Performance. This provision applies to solicitations unless the place of performance is specified by the Government.
- (xii) <u>52.219-1</u>, Small Business Program Representations (Basic, Alternates I, and II). This provision applies to solicitations when the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (A) The basic provision applies when the solicitations are issued by other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.
- (B) The provision with its Alternate I applies to solicitations issued by DoD, NASA, or the Coast Guard.
- (C) The provision with its Alternate II applies to solicitations that will result in a multiple-award contract with more than one NAICS code assigned.
- (xiii) <u>52.219-2</u>, Equal Low Bids. This provision applies to solicitations when contracting by sealed bidding and the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (xiv) <u>52.222-22</u>, Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at <u>52.222-26</u>, Equal Opportunity.

- (xv) <u>52.222-25</u>, Affirmative Action Compliance. This provision applies to solicitations, other than those for construction, when the solicitation includes the clause at <u>52.222-26</u>, Equal Opportunity.
- (xvi) <u>52.222-38</u>, Compliance with Veterans' Employment Reporting Requirements. This provision applies to solicitations when it is anticipated the contract award will exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and the contract is not for acquisition of commercial items.
- (xvii) <u>52.223-1</u>, Biobased Product Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA–designated items; or include the clause at <u>52.223-2</u>, Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts.
- (xviii) <u>52.223-4</u>, Recovered Material Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that are for, or specify the use of, EPA-designated items.
- (xix) <u>52.223-22</u>, Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals-Representation. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at <u>52.204-7</u>.)
- (xx) <u>52.225-2</u>, Buy American Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at <u>52.225-1</u>.
- (xxi) <u>52.225-4</u>, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Basic, Alternates I, II, and III.) This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at <u>52.225-3</u>.
  - (A) If the acquisition value is less than \$25,000, the basic provision applies.
- (B) If the acquisition value is \$25,000 or more but is less than \$50,000, the provision with its Alternate I applies.
- (C) If the acquisition value is \$50,000 or more but is less than \$83,099, the provision with its Alternate II applies.
- (D) If the acquisition value is \$83,099 or more but is less than \$100,000, the provision with its Alternate III applies.
- (xxii)  $\underline{52.225-6}$ , Trade Agreements Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at  $\underline{52.225-5}$ .
- (xxiii) <u>52.225-20</u>, Prohibition on Conducting Restricted Business Operations in Sudan-Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (xxiv) <u>52.225-25</u>, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran-Representation and Certifications. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xxv) <u>52.226-2</u>, Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation. This provision applies to solicitations for research, studies, supplies, or services of the type normally acquired from higher educational institutions.

(2) The following representations or certifications are applicable as indicated by the Contracting Officer:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.] \_\_ (i) <u>52.204-17</u>, Ownership or Control of Offeror. \_\_ (ii) <u>52.204-20</u>, Predecessor of Offeror. \_\_ (iii) <u>52.222-18</u>, Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products. \_\_ (iv) <u>52.222-48</u>, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment- Certification. (v) 52.222-52, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Certification. (vi) 52.223-9, with its Alternate I, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Products (Alternate I only). \_\_ (vii) <u>52.227-6</u>, Royalty Information. \_\_\_\_ (A) Basic. \_\_\_\_ (B) Alternate I. \_\_ (viii) <u>52.227-15</u>, Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software.

(d) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM website accessed through <a href="https://www.sam.gov">https://www.sam.gov</a>. After reviewing the SAM information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically that apply to this solicitation as indicated in paragraph (c) of this provision have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below [offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

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Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on SAM

(End of provision)

# 52.204–24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (OCT 2020).

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204–26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212–3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204–26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212–3.

- (a) Definitions. As used in this provision—Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) Prohibition.
- (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
- (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

- (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles
- (2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
- (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (c) *Procedures*. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<a href="https://www.sam.gov">https://www.sam.gov</a>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
  - (d) *Representation*. The Offeror represents that—
- (1)It  $\Box$  will,  $\Box$  will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and
- (2)After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—
- It  $\Box$  does,  $\Box$  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.
  - (e) Disclosures.
- (1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
  - (i)For covered equipment—
- (A)The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);
- (B)A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C)Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
  - (ii)For covered services—

- (A)If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B)If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
- (2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

# (i)For covered equipment—

- (A)The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);
- (B)A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C)Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

# (ii)For covered services—

- (A)If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B)If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(End of provision)

# 52.204-26 Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation (OCT 2020)

- (a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" and "reasonable inquiry" have the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) *Procedures*. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (c) *Representations*. (1) The Offeror represents that it [] does, [] does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that it [] does, [] does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of provision)

# K.6. 52.209-5 CERTIFICATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (OCT 2015)

(a) (1) The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that --

- (i) The Offeror and/or any of its Principals -(A) Are [\_] are not [\_] presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;
  (B) Have [\_] have not [\_], within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with the contraction of the contraction o
- civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property (if offeror checks "have", the offeror shall also see 52.209-7, if included in this solicitation); and (C) Are [ ] are not [ ] presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of
- this provision; and (D) Have [\_], have not [\_], within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds \$3,500 for which the liability remains unsatisfied.
- (1) Federal taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:
- (i) The tax liability is finally determined. The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.
- (ii) The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment. A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.
- (2) Examples.
- (i) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.
- (ii) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

- (iii) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.
- (iv) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. 362 (the Bankruptcy Code).
- (ii) The Offeror has [[\_] has not [\_], within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any Federal agency.
- (2) "Principal," for the purposes of this certification, means an officer; director; owner; partner; or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (*e.g.*, general manager; plant manager; head of a division or business segment; and similar positions). This Certification Concerns a Matter Within the Jurisdiction of an Agency of the United States and the Making of a False, Fictitious, or Fraudulent Certification May Render the Maker Subject to Prosecution Under Section 1001, Title 18, United States Code.
- (b) The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Contracting Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- (c) A certification that any of the items in paragraph (a) of this provision exists will not necessarily result in withholding of an award under this solicitation. However, the certification will be considered in connection with a determination of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish a certification or provide such additional information as requested by the Contracting Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsible.
- (d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- (e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Government, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

(End of provision)

# K.7. <u>52.209-13 VIOLATION OF ARMS CONTROL TREATIES OR AGREEMENTS – CERTIFICATION (JUN 2018)</u>

(a) This provision does not apply to acquisitions below the simplified acquisition threshold or to acquisitions of commercial items as defined at FAR 2.101.

(b) Certification. [Offeror shall check either (1) or (2).]
(1) The Offeror certifies that—

(i) It does not engage and has not engaged in any activity that contributed to or was a significant factor in the President's or Secretary of State's determination that a foreign country is in violation of its obligations undertaken in any arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the

United States is a party, or is not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. The determinations are described in the most recent unclassified annual report provided to Congress pursuant to section 403 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2593a). The report is available via the internet at <a href="https://www.state.gov/t/avc/rls/rpt/">https://www.state.gov/t/avc/rls/rpt/</a>; and

- (ii) No entity owned or controlled by the Offeror has engaged in any activity that contributed to or was a significant factor in the President's or Secretary of State's determination that a foreign country is in violation of its obligations undertaken in any arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the United States is a party, or is not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. The determinations are described in the most recent unclassified annual report provided to Congress pursuant to section 403 of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act (22 U.S.C. 2593a). The report is available via the internet at <a href="https://www.state.gov/t/avc/rls/rpt/">https://www.state.gov/t/avc/rls/rpt/</a>; or
- \_\_\_\_\_(2) The Offeror is providing separate information with its offer in accordance with paragraph (d)(2) of this provision.
- (c) Procedures for reviewing the annual unclassified report (see paragraph (b)(1) of this provision). For clarity, references to the report in this section refer to the entirety of the annual unclassified report, including any separate reports that are incorporated by reference into the annual unclassified report.
- (1) Check the table of contents of the annual unclassified report and the country section headings of the reports incorporated by reference to identify the foreign countries listed there. Determine whether the Offeror or any person owned or controlled by the Offeror may have engaged in any activity related to one or more of such foreign countries.
- (2) If there may have been such activity, review all findings in the report associated with those foreign countries to determine whether or not each such foreign country was determined to be in violation of its obligations undertaken in an arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament agreement to which the United States is a party, or to be not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a participating state. For clarity, in the annual report an explicit certification of non-compliance is equivalent to a determination of violation. However, the following statements in the annual report are not equivalent to a determination of violation:
- (i) An inability to certify compliance.
- (ii) An inability to conclude compliance.
- (iii) A statement about compliance concerns.
- (3) If so, determine whether the Offeror or any person owned or controlled by the Offeror has engaged in any activity that contributed to or is a significant factor in the determination in the report that one or more of these foreign countries is in violation of its obligations undertaken in an arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament to which the United States is a party, or is not adhering to its arms control, nonproliferation, or disarmament commitments in which the United States is a

participating state. Review the narrative for any such findings reflecting a determination of violation or non-adherence related to those foreign countries in the report, including the finding itself, and to the extent necessary, the conduct giving rise to the compliance or adherence concerns, the analysis of compliance or adherence concerns, and efforts to resolve compliance or adherence concerns.

- (4) The Offeror may submit any questions with regard to this report by email to <u>NDAA1290Cert@state.gov</u>. To the extent feasible, the Department of State will respond to such email inquiries within 3 business days.
- (d) Do not submit an offer unless—
- (1) A certification is provided in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision and submitted with the offer; or
- (2) In accordance with paragraph (b)(2) of this provision, the Offeror provides with its offer information that the President of the United States has—
- (i) Waived application under U.S.C. 2593e(d) or (e); or
- (ii) Determined under 22 U.S.C. 2593e(g)(2) that the entity has ceased all activities for which measures were imposed under 22 U.S.C.2593e(b).
- (e) *Remedies*. The certification in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly submitted a false certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Government, such as suspension or debarment, the Contracting Officer may terminate any contract resulting from the false certification.

(End of provision)

### <u>K.8.</u> <u>52.225-18</u> <u>PLACE OF MANUFACTURE (SEPT 2006)</u>

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

"Manufactured end product" means any end product in Federal Supply Classes (FSC) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) FSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Federal Supply Group (FSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) FSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) FSG 89, Food and Related Consumables;
- (5) FSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) FSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) FSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) FSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) FSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) FSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

"Place of manufacture" means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

- (b) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly—
- (1) [ ] In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or
  - (2) [ ] Outside the United States.

# K.9. AUTHORIZED CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

If the offeror does not fill-in the blanks below, the official who signed the offer will be deemed to be the offeror's representative for contract administration, which includes all matters pertaining to payments.

Name:
Telephone Number:
Address:

# K.10. 652.225-70 ARAB LEAGUE BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL (AUG 1999)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Foreign person" means any person other than a United States person as defined below.

"United States person" means any United States resident or national (other than an individual scident outside the United States and employed by other than a United States person), any demostic

resident outside the United States and employed by other than a United States person), any domestic concern (including any permanent domestic establishment of any foreign concern), and any foreign subsidiary or affiliate (including any permanent foreign establishment) of any domestic concern which is controlled in fact by such domestic concern, as provided under the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended.

(b) Certification. By submitting this offer, the offeror certifies that it is not:

- (1) Taking or knowingly agreeing to take any action, with respect to the boycott of Israel by Arab League countries, which Section 8(a) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. 2407(a)) prohibits a United States person from taking; or,
  - (2) Discriminating in the award of subcontracts on the basis of religion.

#### K.11. RESERVED

(End of provision)

# K.12. 52.225-20 PROHIBITION ON CONDUCTING RESTRICTED BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN SUDAN - CERTIFICATION (AUG 2009)

(a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision—

"Business operations" means engaging in commerce in any form, including by acquiring, developing, maintaining, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or operating equipment, facilities, personnel, products, services, personal property, real property, or any other apparatus of business or commerce.

"Marginalized populations of Sudan" means—

- (1) Adversely affected groups in regions authorized to receive assistance under section 8(c) of the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act (Pub. L. 109-344) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note); and
  - (2) Marginalized areas in Northern Sudan described in section 4(9) of such Act.

"Restricted business operations" means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person conducting the business can demonstrate—

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
- (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;
  - (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;
- (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;
- (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or
  - (6) Have been voluntarily suspended.
- (b) *Certification*. By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that it does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

# K.13. 52.209-2 Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations Representation (Nov 2015)

- (a) Definitions. "Inverted domestic corporation" and "subsidiary" have the meaning given in the clause of this contract entitled Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (52.209-10).
- (b) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at 9.108-2(b) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at 9.108-4.
  - (c) Representation. The Offeror represents that.
    - (1) It  $\Box$  is,  $\Box$  is not an inverted domestic corporation; and
    - (2) It  $\Box$  is,  $\Box$  is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

# K.14 **52.204–24** Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (OCT 2020).

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204–26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212–3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204–26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212–3.

(a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

- (b) *Prohibition*.
- (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

- (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles
- (2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
  - (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
  - (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (c) *Procedures*. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (d) *Representation*. The Offeror represents that—
- (1)It  $\square$  will,  $\square$  will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and
- (2)After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—
  - It  $\Box$  does,  $\Box$  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.
- (e) Disclosures.

(1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

# (i)For covered equipment—

- (A)The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);
  - (B)A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
  - (C)Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

# (ii)For covered services—

- (A)If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
  - (B)If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
  - (2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

#### (i)For covered equipment—

- (A)The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);
  - (B)A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C)Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

# (ii)For covered services—

(A)If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B)If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(End of provision)

# 52.204-26 Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation (OCT 2020)

- (a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" and "reasonable inquiry" have the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) *Procedures*. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (c) *Representations*. (1) The Offeror represents that it [ ] does, [ ] does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.
- (2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that it [] does, [] does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of provision)

#### K.15 52.229-12 Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (JUN 2020)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person.

United States person, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30), means—

- (1) A citizen or resident of the United States;
- (2) A domestic partnership;
- (3) A domestic corporation;
- (4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(31)); and
- (5) Any trust if—
- (i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and
- (ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.
- (b) This clause applies only to foreign persons. It implements 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.
- (c)(1) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has only a partial or no exemption to the withholding, the Contractor shall include the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, with each voucher or invoice submitted under this contract throughout the period in which this status is applicable. The excise tax withholding is applied at the payment level, not at the contract level. The Contractor should revise each IRS Form W-14 submission to reflect the exemption (if any) that applies to that particular invoice, such as a different exemption applying. In the absence of a completed IRS Form W-14 accompanying a payment request, the default withholding percentage is 2 percent for the section 5000C withholding for that payment request. Information about IRS Form W-14 and its separate instructions is available via the internet at www.irs.gov/w14.
- (2) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has indicated in its offer in the provision 52.229-11, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements—Notice and Representation, that it is fully exempt from the withholding, and certified the full exemption on the IRS Form W-14, and if that full exemption no longer applies due to a change in circumstances during the performance of the contract that causes the Contractor to become subject to the withholding for the 2 percent excise tax then the Contractor shall—
- (i) Notify the Contracting Officer within 30 days of a change in circumstances that causes the Contractor to be subject to the excise tax withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C; and
  - (ii) Comply with paragraph (c)(1) of this clause.

- (d) The Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment unless the Contractor claims an exemption. If the Contractor enters a ratio in Line 12 of the IRS Form W-14, the result of Line 11 divided by Line 10, the Government will withhold from each payment an amount equal to 2 percent multiplied by the contract ratio. If the Contractor marks box 9 of the IRS Form W-14 (rather than completes Lines 10 through 12), 3ontractor must identify and enter the specific exempt and nonexempt amounts in Line 15 of the IRS Form W-14; the Government will then withhold 2 percent only from the nonexempt amount. See the IRS Form W-14 and its instructions.
- (e) Exemptions from the withholding under this clause are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). Any exemption claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue.
  - (f) Taxes imposed under 26 U.S.C. 5000C may not be—
  - (1) Included in the contract price; nor
  - (2) Reimbursed.
- (g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to <a href="https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions">https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions</a>.

#### (End of clause)

K.16 The following provision is incorporated by reference:

52.225-25 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OR TRANSACTIONS RELATING TO IRAN—REPRESENTATION AND CERTIFICATIONS (JUN 2020)

# SECTION L INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

# L.1. SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

#### L.1.1. General

This solicitation is for the performance of the services described in SECTION C PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT, and the Exhibits attached to this solicitation.

- <u>L.1.2.</u> <u>Summary of Instructions</u>. Each offer must consist of the following:
- L.1.2.1. A completed solicitation, in which the SF-33 cover page (blocks 12 through 18, as appropriate), and Sections B and K have been filled out.
- L.1.2.2. Information demonstrating the offeror's ability to perform, including:
- (1) Name of a Project Manager (or other liaison to the Embassy/Consulate) who understands written and spoken English;
- (2) Evidence that the offeror operates an established business with a permanent address and telephone listing;
  - (3) List of clients over the past five years, demonstrating prior experience with relevant past performance information and references (provide dates of contracts, places of performance, value of contracts, contact names, telephone and fax numbers and email addresses). If the offeror has not performed comparable services in Canada then the offeror shall provide its international experience. Offerors are advised that the past performance information requested above may be discussed with the client's contact person. In addition, the client's contact person may be asked to comment on the offeror's:
  - Quality of services provided under the contract;
  - Compliance with contract terms and conditions;
  - Effectiveness of management;
  - Willingness to cooperate with and assist the customer in routine matters, and when confronted by unexpected difficulties; and
  - Business integrity / business conduct.

The Government will use past performance information primarily to assess an offeror's capability to meet the solicitation performance requirements, including the relevance and successful performance of the offeror's work experience. The Government may also use this data to evaluate the credibility of the offeror's proposal. In addition, the Contracting Officer may use past performance information in making a determination of responsibility.

- (4) Evidence that the offeror/quoter can provide the necessary personnel, equipment, and financial resources needed to perform the work;
  - (5) The offeror shall address its plan to obtain all licenses and permits required by local law (see DOSAR 652.242-73 in Section 2). If offeror already possesses the locally required licenses and permits, a copy shall be provided.
    - (6) The offeror's strategic plan for providing and installing 3 CCTV cameras and associate equipment at the Consul General's residence to include but not limited to:
    - (a) A work plan taking into account all work elements in Section 1, Performance Work Statement.
    - (b) Identify types and quantities of equipment, supplies and materials required for performance of services under this contract. Identify if the offeror already possesses the listed items and their condition for suitability and if not already possessed or inadequate for use how and when the items will be obtained:
    - (c) Plan of ensuring quality of services including but not limited to contract administration and oversight; and
    - (d) (1) If insurance is required by the solicitation, a copy of the Certificate of Insurance(s), **or** (2) a statement that the Contractor will get the required insurance, and the name of the insurance provider to be used.
- (7) Schematic/diagram of the CCTV system to be installed along with any manufacturer's literature:
- (8) Evidence that the Contractor has the capability to install the camera systems under this RFP
- L.1.2.3. Submit the complete offer to the address indicated at Block 7, if mailed, or Block 9, if hand delivered, of Standard Form 33, "Solicitation, Offer and Award."

Identify any deviations, exceptions, or conditional assumptions taken with respect to any of the instructions or requirements of this solicitation and explain/justify them in the appropriate volume of the offer.

# L.1.3. Proprietary Data

Proprietary data shall be specifically identified by page(s), paragraph(s) and sentence(s), and shall not be generalized.

# L.2. 52.2521 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. In addition, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at <a href="Acquisition.gov">Acquisition.gov</a> this address is subject to change.

If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the location indicated above, use the Department of State Acquisition website at <u>e-CFR</u> to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an

Internet "search engine" (for example, Google, Yahoo or Excite) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR

# FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CH. 1)

# PROVISION TITLE AND DATE

- 52.204-7 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (OCT 2018)
- 52.204-16 COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE REPORTING (JUL 2016)
- 52.209-9 UPDATES OF PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JULY 2013)
- 52.214-34 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (APR 1991)
- 52.215-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION (JAN 2004)
- 52.237-1 SITE VISIT (APR 1984)

#### L.3. SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCLUDED IN FULL TEXT.

# <u>52.2161</u> <u>TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)</u>

The Government contemplates award of a indefinite-quantity, fixed price contract.

# 52.2332 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)

- (a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO) shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from Andrew Nelson, Contracting Officer, U.S. Consulate General Calgary, 1000, 650 Macleod Trail, SE, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- (b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one (1) day of filing a protest with the GAO.

# L.4. SITE VISIT

Following FAR provision 52.2371, Site Visit, the post will arrange for a site visit on January 14, 2021 at 10:00 am MST. Offerors should contact Andrew Nelson, 403-618-8787, or Robert Ursell, 403-651-3432 to make appropriate arrangements.

#### L.6. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

**L.6.1.** The Government will hold a pre-proposal conference to discuss the requirements of this solicitation on January 14, 2021 at 10:00 am at MST at the Consul General Residence Offerors interested in attending should contact the following individual:

Name: Andrew Nelson, 403-618-8787, or Robert Ursell, 403-651-3432.

- L.6.2. Offerors are urged to submit written questions at least three days prior to the scheduled pre-proposal conference date, using the address provided in block 9 of Standard Form 33, Solicitation, Offer and Award, of this solicitation or by faxing the questions to the above fax number, marked to the attention of the above-named individual.
- L.6.3. Attendees may also bring written questions to the proposal conference; however, if the answer requires research, there is no guarantee that the question will be answered at that conference.
- L.6.4. No statements made by the Government at the pre-proposal conference shall be considered to be a change to the solicitation unless a written amendment is issued.
- L.6.5. Following the conference, the Government will provide all prospective offerors who received a copy of the solicitation a copy of all questions presented in writing prior to the conference, along with answers. If the answer requires a change to the solicitation, the Government will issue a solicitation amendment

# L.7 652.206-70 Advocate for Competition/Ombudsman.

As prescribed in 606.570, insert the following provision:

#### ADVOCATE FOR COMPETITION/OMBUDSMAN (FEB 2015)

(a) The Department of State's Advocate for Competition is responsible for assisting industry in removing restrictive requirements from Department of State solicitations and removing barriers to full and open competition and use of commercial items. If such a solicitation is considered competitively restrictive or does not appear properly conducive to competition and commercial practices, potential offerors are encouraged first to contact the contracting office for the solicitation. If concerns remain unresolved, contact:

- (1) For solicitations issued by the Office of Acquisition Management (A/LM/AQM) or a Regional Procurement Support Office, the A/LM/AQM Advocate for Competition, at <u>AQMCompetitionAdvocate@state.gov</u>.
  - (2) For all others, the Department of State Advocate for Competition at <u>cat@state.gov</u>.
- (b) The Department of State's Acquisition Ombudsman has been appointed to hear concerns from potential offerors and contractors during the pre-award and post-award phases of this acquisition. The role of the ombudsman is not to diminish the authority of the contracting officer, the Technical Evaluation Panel or Source Evaluation Board, or the selection official. The purpose of the ombudsman is to facilitate the communication of concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations of interested parties to the appropriate Government personnel, and work to resolve them. When requested and appropriate, the ombudsman will maintain strict confidentiality as to the source of the concern. The ombudsman does not participate in the evaluation of proposals, the source selection process, or the adjudication of formal contract disputes. Interested parties are invited to contact the contracting activity ombudsman, \_\_\_\_\_ [insert name] \_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_ [insert telephone and fax numbers] \_\_\_\_. For an American Embassy or overseas post, refer to the numbers below for the Department Acquisition Ombudsman. Concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations which cannot be resolved at a contracting activity level may be referred to the Department of State Acquisition Ombudsman at (703) 516-1696 or write to: Department of State, Acquisition Ombudsman, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 1060, SA-15, Washington, DC 20520.

(End of provision)

# SECTION M EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

# M.1. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

# M.1.1. General

To be acceptable and eligible for evaluation, offerors must prepare proposals following Section L. Proposals shall meet all the requirements set forth in the other sections of this solicitation. The Government may determine an offeror to be unacceptable and exclude it from further consideration for failure to comply with Section L.

#### M.1.2. Basis for Award

The Government intends to award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the lowest priced, technically acceptable offeror who is a responsible Contractor. The evaluation process shall include the following:

# (a) Initial Evaluation

The Government will evaluate all proposals received to ensure that each proposal is complete in terms of submission of each required volume, as required by Section L. The Government may eliminate proposals that are missing required information.

# (b) Technical Acceptability

The Government will thoroughly review those proposals remaining after the initial evaluation to determine technical acceptability. The Government will review Technical Acceptability by reviewing information submitted as part of L.1.1 and L.1.2.2, including a review of the offeror's proposed project manager to ensure that he or she is acceptable to the Government. The Government may also review past references provided as part of the Experience and Past Performance information to verify quality of past performance.

#### (c) Price

The Government will evaluate price for all technically acceptable offerors and determine the lowest overall price in Section B.

- d) Responsibility. The Government will determine Contractor responsibility by analyzing whether the apparent successful offeror complies with the requirements of FAR 9.1, including:
  - Adequate financial resources or the ability to obtain them;
  - Ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
  - Satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
  - Necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
  - Necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
  - Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

The Government reserves the right to reject proposals that are unreasonably low or high in price. The Government will notify unsuccessful offerors in accordance with FAR 15.5.

# M.1.3. 52.216-27 SINGLE OR MULTIPLE AWARDS (OCT 1995)

The Government may elect to award a single delivery order contract or task order contract or to award multiple delivery order contracts or task order contracts for the same or similar supplies or services to two or more sources under this solicitation.

#### M.2. 52.2175 EVALUATION OF OPTIONS (JUL 1990)

The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

# M.3. QUANTITIES FOR EVALUATION

For the purpose of evaluation, and for no other purpose, evaluation of prices submitted will be made on the basis that the Government will require the quantities shown in SECTION B SERVICES AND PRICES of this solicitation.

#### M.4. SEPARATE CHARGES

Separate charges, in any form, are not solicited. For example, proposals containing any charges for failure of the Government to exercise any options will be rejected. The Government shall not be obligated to pay any charges other than the contract price, including any exercised options.

# M.5. AWARD WITHOUT DISCUSSIONS

Following FAR provision 52.215-1 (included in SECTION L of this RFP), offerors are reminded that the Government intends to award this contract based on initial proposals and without holding discussions, pursuant to FAR 15.306(a)(3).

[Note to Contracting Officer: Insert FAR 52.225-17 in full text if you will be allowing offers to be submitted in more than one currency (U.S. dollars or local currency)].

#### M.6 FAR 52.225-17 EVALUATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCY OFFERS (FEB 2000)

If the Government receives offers in more than one currency, the Government will evaluate offers by converting the foreign currency to United States currency using the exchange rate used by the Embassy in effect as follows:

- (a) For acquisitions conducted using sealed bidding procedures, on the date of bid opening.
- (b) For acquisitions conducted using negotiation procedures:

- (1) On the date specified for receipt of offers, if award is based on initial offers; otherwise
- (2) On the date specified for receipt of proposal revisions.